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## Town goes to the polls

*Residents asked if they agree with proposed council office move*

OUTRAGED Dorchester residents will go to the first parish poll in living memory over the controversial multi-million pound Charles Street development.

A public outcry over West Dorset District Council's proposal to move their office from Stratton House has led to the poll, scheduled for April 22nd.

Residents will vote on one simply question: "Do you agree with the proposal of West Dorset District Council to move from their present head-quarters in High West Street to a new multi-million pound office block which they propose to build".

However, the result will not be legally binding and WDDC could disregard the poll if they wish.

The poll, which will cost Dorchester taxpayers between £5,000 and £6,000, was demanded after electors voted during the Annual Town Assembly last Thursday, March 25th.

Dorchester Mayor Councillor Susie Hosford, who chaired the meeting, said: "It's very exciting. It's also, I think, a very necessary opportunity for the people of Dorchester to put their view forward."

"This is an issue for people in west Dorset and people clearly think it will be money well spent. I feel it will be money well spent because it will give the opportunity for a much needed public consultation."

The issue of a public poll was raised during an open public meeting on March 24th where people from

**By Paul Crompton**

throughout west Dorset met to hear more about the proposals.

A parish poll has to be called by the public during a meeting of the town's electorate, with all government electorate having the right to attend.

The threshold needed before a poll can be demanded if one third of the people attending the meeting or 10 people whichever is the least calls for it.

The poll is similar to an election to the extent anybody on the register can cast a vote. The question will be set out on a ballot paper which requires the voter

to answer yes or no.

Town Clerk Dennis Holmes, said: "No-one else can remember one being held. I've been here 23 years and there hasn't been one in 23 years. People on the council have been on there longer than that and cannot remember one."

He added: "A poll can be requested on any question that arises at that meeting, but we had prior notice that a group of local people wanted to hold a poll, so the mayor agreed it should be put on the agenda."

■ **FOR full story on the open meeting held on March 24th, see pages 6 and 7**



## Dorset welcome for Comets

■ **YOUNG footballers from the USA paid a flying visit to the county town last week.**  
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**BRIDPORT** town councillor Keith Day, 64, developed his interest in local politics after retiring from a career in commercial aviation and then the NHS.

Originally from Bristol, Councillor Day visited Bridport regularly for almost 20 years before eventually making the move with his wife 10-years-ago. He was followed shortly by his mother who he persuaded to join him on the coast.

Having retired Councillor Day now fills his time as an Advisor at Bridport Citizens' Advice Bureau and as Chairman of Bridport Conservatives, but he still finds time to walk his dogs.

Councillor Day was elected onto the town council in April last year following a local by-election.

■ **YOU were elected as a town councillor a year ago, are you finding it rewarding?**

Yes, but it is also so frustrating. There are so many things that I would like done to improve our town, but cannot because of the limitations of the powers of the town council. The council is so dominated by Libdems that little can be achieved without their agreement. However, I think that I have learned a lot from being a councillor and hope to use that knowledge in the future. The best thing about being a councillor is helping people and serving my fellow citizens. I would strongly recommend public service to anyone who wants to make a contribution to their community.

■ **WHAT are the most important issues affecting Bridport at the moment?**

Employment, education, housing and poverty. They are all linked in a vicious circle. Low expectations and achievement in education can result in poor job prospects, insecure employment and low income. This can lead on to acceptance of low quality housing and poverty in financial and attainment terms. I would like to see Bridport advertised as a place that welcomes new business, as well as making it more attractive to tourists. An improvement in employment prospects is the quickest and most effective way of breaking the cycle and helping everyone in this town.

■ **ARE you still pleased you supported the new Lidl supermarket?**

Yes, I am. I still believe there will be an overall beneficial effect for the people of Bridport. However, I do not like the ugly Travis Perkins building that is currently under construction, but I was unable to influence that proposal.

I have to add that I am less sympathetic to the Spar shop opening in East Street. This shop will have a much more far-reaching impact on the town and the market than Lidl.



■ **WHY did you choose the Conservative party?**

All politics are compromises. All the main parties have some good ideas and I have some sympathy with the UKIP attitude to Europe and immigration. However, overall I believe the Conservatives have a good balance and the right ideas to get us out of the current mess.

■ **WHERE do you see yourself in five years time?**

I hope to be still living in and enjoying our unique town. I would like to continue as an advisor at Bridport Citizens' Advice Bureau and if I still have the energy, I may consider standing as a district councillor. I want to avoid spreading myself so thinly that I cannot do everything well.

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■ **WHERE do you see Bridport in five years time?**

I would like to see a thriving town, with high employment, decent affordable housing, but still retaining its unique and special character. It should be a town that is attractive to all ages and tastes.

I would like to see improved approaches to the town; including the roundabouts (Yeovil does it well). A re-developed South West Quadrant that retains the 'artisan's area' and incorporates it into a proper and sustainable plan, encouraging visitors to explore the town. I would also like to see the railway restored and operating.

At West Bay, I would like to see some in-character buildings – not those awful flats. An end to the anti-social behaviour of some young motorists that causes annoyance to visitors and residents, together with a 20 mph speed limit. I would like to see the Esplanade made more appealing with raised flower beds and The Mount made into a garden.

■ **WHAT was the last book you read, film you watched and CD you listened to?**

Book – Break No Bones, by Kathy Reichs. A novel based on forensics; Film – In The Loop. A political satire; CD – The Platinum Collection by Jerry Lee Lewis, but only in my car – when I am alone.

■ **WHO would be your three dream guests at a dinner party and why?**

Abraham, Jesus and Mohammed. I am most certainly not a religious person but I would like them to tell me the real truth about their lives, and deaths, and ask them to explain why the religions they founded, apparently based on acceptance and forgiveness, have caused so much loss of life and conflict.

Getting the correct food for them at a dinner party could be tricky though.

Could I also have Barbara Woodhouse to show me how to make our two Yorkies come back every time they are called, please?

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## New cushions for council chamber

THE Dorchester Stitches recently completed their latest project, two new cushions for the Council Chamber in the Corn Exchange.

Faith earning themselves a reputation for producing the most elaborate work of the highest standard, beautifully executed and painstakingly crafted, their latest offerings were well received at a recent meeting of the town council.

Dorchester Stitches Rosemary Gameston thanked Town Clerk Dennis Holmes for the role he played in getting things just right.

She said: "He was an enormous help with the design and helped to choose the colours for the surround of the town seal.

"He has also kept us fully employed for the last two years making the cushions."

Rosemary herself transferred the design onto the two canvases, which were

### By Anita Harries

then worked on by Alexina Gannon, Gill Frances, Brenda Turnock and Liz Croucher.

Accepting the two cushions on behalf of the town council, the Mayor of Dorchester Councillor Susie Hosford said: "The Stitches carry out incredible work for this council and the town as a whole.

"The cushions are so beautiful they are far too good to sit on. I fear future council meetings may be held standing up."

Once the council chamber is back in use following the installation of a lift in the Corn Exchange to improve access for those with disabilities.

The two cushions will have pride of place on the old and very important chairs occupied by the Mayor and the Town Clerk.



■ The Dorchester Stitches present the two cushions to Mayor Susie Hosford and Town Clerk Dennis Holmes

## Time has flown by for Sue

TOWN Council stalwart, Sue Cheeseman, recently passed her 25-year milestone working for the local authority.

Concerns were expressed at her interview as to whether she would cope with the job, having two young children, but she did so admirably and is still here to tell the tale. Beginning as a clerk and a typist, Sue's workload gradually increased as she took on responsibility for the wages, and became the mayor's secretary.

She has seen countless mayors come and go, some holding the post on more than one occasion, and has managed to keep them on the straight and narrow, ensuring they reach the correct engagements at the right time and on the right day.

With the arrival of Town Clerk Dennis Holmes came the computer to make Sue's job easier.

At the latest meeting of the town council, Sue was presented with a watch by the Mayor of Dorchester, Councillor Susie Hosford, as a mark of appreciation for all her hard work.



■ SUE Cheeseman (left) receives her watch from Mayor Susie Hosford

When asked if the last 25-years had flown by, Sue said: "It has certainly had its moments, but I have enjoyed every second. It has been a pleasure working with the mayors and the town council who have kept me on my toes, but I wouldn't have it any other way."

## Leslie is new mayor

COUNCILLOR Leslie Phillips is Dorchester's new mayor.

He was elected to succeed current Mayor Councillor Susie Hosford at last Tuesday's full meeting of Dorchester Town Council.

A councillor since 1965 Leslie has been mayor on three previous occasions in 1973, 1983 and 1999.

He will be officially installed at the Mayor making ceremony of Monday, May 24th.

See next week's View From Dorchester for the full story.



■ FORMER Dorchester Mayor, Leslie Phillips to take reins again

## Dorchester welcome for American visitors

THE North Kitsap Comets from Washington State, USA, made a three day trip to Dorchester during a recent visit to the UK.

Coached by former local boy Pip Thompson, who now lives in Poulsho, Washington, the team stayed in the county town and enjoyed some real Dorset hospitality.

This trip to the UK was the first time many of the boys had left their state, and they thoroughly enjoyed every minute. Joining the team were two young footballers from Tanzania who flew over with one of their teachers to take part in the tour.

Sponsored by Marion and Loretta Sluys, whose generosity helped to make the whole venture possible, these two youngsters had never seen running water before

or left their village, and were completely in awe of everything around them.

Clothes were brought for them by the parents of the American youngsters and they were given spending money to buy momentos to take home to their village.

Their stay in Dorchester was made all the more memorable by a conducted tour of the town by Town Crier Alistair Chisholm and Mayor of Dorchester Councillor Susie Hosford.

The party were greeted with a cry written especially for the occasion before they set off to visit places of interest such as the Roman Town House and the Old Crown Courts.

A match against Dorchester Raiders Under 12s team ended a busy day for the youngsters.

Having already played, and beaten, Mortenville Rovers and Mortenville Rangers while in this country, the Comets were entitled to enter this game with an air of quiet confidence.

Victory, however, went to their oppo-

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The Leadership Individual Award was presented by Sir Ken Knight, the Government's Chief Fire and Rescue Adviser, and former Chief Fire Officer for Dorset at a London reception.

The award recognises DFRS's project to support a traditionally hard to reach group, whilst targeting that community in a sensitive way.

The annual awards were established in 2007 by Communities and Local Government (CLG) to encourage and share good practice across Fire and Rescue Services in the UK.

### Hardy scripts saved

CAMPAIGNERS in Dorchester have saved a unique collection of Thomas Hardy manuscripts.

A group of fundraisers including, original Hardy player, 104-year-old Norrie Woodhall raised an incredible £58,750 to keep the collection of historic Hardy items in Dorset and they will now go on show at Dorset County Museum in Dorchester.

The rare collection was assembled by Harry Tilley of the original Hardy Players and was put up for sale late last year but a temporary export ban was put on the scripts to give a UK organisation a chance to save it.

Fundraisers were racing to meet a deadline of April 17th but a joint effort from Dorset County Museum, Exeter University, Dorset History Centre, The New Hardy Players and the Thomas Hardy Society means the manuscripts have been saved way before that deadline.

The collection, currently held in a London bookshop, is expected to arrive in Dorchester by the end of April.

### NWR reunion

THE National Women's Register, formally known as the National Housewives Register, celebrates its Golden Anniversary this year.

To celebrate, the Dorchester group is trying to contact as many previous members as possible to come and join the celebration.

The Dorchester group, although not 50 years old, has been meeting for well over 30 years every fortnight in member's homes.

Discussions, visits and the occasional speaker are important parts of the NWR programme, which is put together by the whole group and reflects their interests.

If you have been a member at any time in the past, the current group would like to send you an invitation to the celebration.

If you would like to know more about NWR contact Jan Meyers on (01305) 268199.



■ THE North Kitsap Comets line up before the game with the Dorchester Raiders

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# Expert advice on offer to Dorset motorcyclists

MOTORCYCLISTS across the county are once again being offered expert riding advice from BikeSafe Dorset.

BikeSafe Dorset 2010, an educational initiative for motorcyclists, began yesterday and will include events at Bournemouth and Poole for the first time.

The initiative, offered by Dorset Police and Dorset County Council, offers expert riding advice to all motorcyclists with a session of classroom-based tuition plus a practical ride assessment conducted by police motorcycling professionals for all riders with bikes of 250cc or more.

BikeSafe Dorset provides a chance for motorcyclists to gain advice and tips on a range of subjects to make their riding even safer – including cornering, positioning, overtaking, correct use of gears and hazard perception.

PC Chris Smith is the BikeSafe Dorset co-ordinator. He said: "Once again we are working with our local councils to make Dorset's roads safer.

"This year BikeSafe has even more local opportunities open to bikers across the county to sharpen their riding skills and hopefully avoid becoming a statistic.

"It's never the wrong time to

learn a new skill and keep yourself safe on the county's roads.

"Our local evening theory sessions cost nothing and are open to all motorcyclists. They are held locally across Dorset and riders can just turn up to see what BikeSafe is all about. There is then an option to attend one of our on road assessment dates which are held near to our headquarters.

"It takes just a few hours and could teach you something that might save your life one day."

The BikeSafe Dorset theory session is free to attend and the second part of the course – the assessed practical ride – is offered at a subsidised rate of £40.

Participants must complete both parts in order to fully complete the BikeSafe Dorset course and be issued a certificate.

The theory sessions will take place on the following dates:

- Monday, April 26th: Breakfast Room, The Lodmore (Premier Inn), Preston Beach Road, Weymouth, DT4 7SX;
- Monday, May 3rd: Express by Holiday Inn, Walking Fields Lane, Poole, BH15 1RZ;
- Monday, May 24th: The Bow Room, The Exchange, Old Market Hill, Sturminster Newton, DT10 1FH;

● Monday, June 7th: Waterside Room, Allendale Centre, Hanham Road, Wimborne, BH21 1DQ;

● Monday, June 28th: The Pavilion, Bridport Leisure Centre, Brewery Fields, Bridport, DT6 5LN;

● Monday, July 5th: Studio Room, Barrington Centre, Penny's Walk, Ferndown, Dorset, BH22 9TH;

● Monday, July 12th: Dorchester Town Football Club, Weymouth Avenue, Dorchester, DT1 2RY;

● Monday, August 9th: Village Hotel, Wessex Fields, Deansleigh Road, Bournemouth, BH7 7DZ.

Motorcyclists wishing to attend should turn up on the night from 6:45pm for a 7pm start and collect the application pack.

The practical sessions commence from the Winfrith Technology Centre, just outside the village of Wool. The dates are:

- Sunday, April 25th
- Sunday, May 9th
- Sunday, June 6th
- Sunday, June 13th
- Sunday, July 11th
- Sunday, August 15th
- Sunday, September 19th

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# Payne jug stirs family history

OUR recent story with regards to the auction of a rare jug with connections to the Payne family in Chideock has led to a call from Tony Payne who claims, with his sons, to be the last direct descendant carrying the family name.

Tony contacted *View From* after reading our story about the jug, which was sold recently at Duke's Auctioneers in Dorchester. And while unable to throw any light on Sarah Payne's lineage, he was able to build a picture of the family.

The inscription on the jug referred to a Sarah Payne, the date December 6th, 1813 and Chideock, Dorset, and is believed to have been made in Sunderland.

Tony (79) lives at Trinity Hill, Axminster and is descended from one of Sarah's four brother's William, who is his great grandfather. She had three other brothers, John, Hugh and Richard.

William had a son Charles who by coincidence married a widow named Clara Payne and they had two sons Arthur (Tony's dad) and Albert.

Tony said: "My grandfather Charles farmed Hell Farm in North Chideock on the Weld estate. They lived in a cottage in Ruin's Lane off Main Street with my father (Arthur) and Albert."

The house is still in the family which is now owned by Tony's sister Rhoda.

He added: "Apparently my father and Albert were known as the 'Payne's from Hell' because they were always at the farm!"

Tony moved to Trinity Hill with his wife of almost 50 years, Heather, two-years-ago.

For many years he was Sports Director at Thames Valley University.

A talented footballer, he gave it up part way through a three-year teaching job in Jamaica to play hockey, and represented the country during his time on the island.

They have a daughter and two sons who will carry the family name forward.

Besides Tony we have also heard from Mary Payne, who with her late husband Peter ran a photography business.

They were well known around Bridport and West Dorset from the 1960s, until Peter's death in 1991, particularly as press photographers for the local newspapers.

She was able to tell us that her husband Peter is descended from Richard, another of Sarah's brothers. He had a son, also called Richard, who had four children, Florence, Elsie, Frances and another Richard, who was Peter's father.

Peter also had two sisters, Joan, now dead, and Eileen



■ **CARRYING ON THE LINE:** Tony Payne who believes he and his two sons are the only direct descendants of the Payne family

**By Stuart Broom**

Raymond who is lives in Charmouth.

Elsie had a son, Dick Shute, who in turn had three children who are still living.

Finally many of our readers will for sure remember Dorothy Payne and her daughter Diana (Di) who married Reg Clapp.

Dorothy (nee Christmas) married Albert Payne and used to work at Gundry's as it was then, now AmSafe Bridport.

She also taught shorthand to many budding secretaries in the area.

Di was secretary to one of the Gundry's directors Len Parker in the 60s and early 70s (Len was also chairman of Bridport Football Club), and like her mother worked at the company for all her working life.

## Hunt dinosaur eggs this Easter

THE award winning Dinosaur Museum, in Dorchester, has several dinosaur eggs on display from other parts of the world.

Over the long Easter weekend the Dinosaur Museum is holding the Great Dinosaur Egg Hunt.

It is the Easter egg hunt with a difference and involves children actually hunting throughout the museum to spot the dinosaur eggs on display and solving the Dinosaur Mystery.

The Great Dinosaur egg hunt runs from Good Friday, April 2nd to Easter Bank Holiday Monday, April 5th. Explore Britain's original award-winning Dinosaur Museum with its exciting mix of ac-

tual fossils, skeletons, and life-size dinosaur reconstructions combined with hands on and multimedia displays, to discover the answers to the clues in the Dinosaur Mystery.

The first fossilized dinosaur eggs were found in France in 1869. Since then dinosaur eggs have been found all over the world.

Whole nest sites have been discovered leading to the naming of one area as Egg Mountain in the USA. Unfortunately discoveries of dinosaur eggs in England are much more rare.

The largest dinosaur egg in the museum is about the size of a melon and is from a sauropod di-

nosaur, and was discovered in China.

Another type of dinosaur egg is smaller and is from an Oviraptor that originates from Mongolia.

Dinosaur nests have been found in groups indicating that dinosaurs exhibited some sort of social behaviour, and it's probable that some dinosaurs were caring and raised their young.

The Dinosaur Museum is great for families whatever the weather and is open daily 9.30am-5.30pm.

The Great Dinosaur Egg Hunt takes place over Easter weekend and all children who solve the mystery correctly and spot all the dinosaur eggs win a special prize.

## Fire cadets prepare to graduate

CADETS from Dorchester donned their best uniforms when they graduated from a Fire Cadets' scheme yesterday (Tuesday).

The Fire Cadets Scheme is aimed at young people between the ages of 14 and 16-years-old who want to develop practical, life and communication skills whilst gaining a BTEC award over the 20 week period.

The uniformed youth development programme aims to provide the teenagers with an idea of what a career in the Fire and Rescue Service is really like.

The youngsters met for two hours one evening each week and participated in a variety of activities such as fire-fighting skills, first aid, life skills, trips to and visits from local partner agencies and community events.

Dorset Fire and Rescue Service was able to develop the schemes with initial funding from the Crime and Disorder Reduction Partnership.

For a full report and pictures see the *View From*'s new on-line Friday newspaper, The Dorset Weekender by visiting [www.viewfromonline.co.uk](http://www.viewfromonline.co.uk).

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## The Charles Street proposal: The facts

### ■ Why is the council moving offices?

A NEW reception hub would put council services under one roof, improve access to services for all customers, so they will be able to enquire about the full range of public services without having to know which council provides them.

This "seamless access" means residents could find out about their benefits at the same time as reserving a library book.

### ■ What will happen to the Old Crown Court and the Community Church?

THE council hopes the sale of Stratton House would secure the future of the Old Crown Court as an important part of Dorchester architectural and cultural heritage.

The council is in discussions with the National Trust, the TUC and other parties to explore a joint venture to refurbish and operate the Crown Court as a visitor attraction.

The council's approved developer of Charles Street, Simons, is continuing discussions with the church to secure a successful relocation. The new offices do not require the removal of the church and the church only affects the overall redevelopment scheme.

### ■ How much is this costing the council?

THE total cost of the offices is approximately £15million of which the district council's share will be about £9.5 million.

The move is part of the council's cost-cutting review to increase efficiency and reduce the long-term financial burden on the tax-payer.

The new building should cost around £10.7million.

The new building would be significantly smaller than the current offices and is expected to save the council an estimated £145,000 a year. A £34,000 saving will be made on utility bills; £135,000 on maintenance; £48,000 on cleaning. It is hoped to save £145,000 a year in running costs.

The council has allocated £918,000 towards expected annual running costs, leaving the district council needing to find an extra £31,000.

The council would also need to take out an extra £2.5million loan; spend a further £176,000 on the cost of loan each year; plus find £53,000 a year extra in business rates.

# Council chiefs boycott

By Paul Crompton

CAMPIGNERS met to air their complaints and question the integrity of controversial proposals by West Dorset District Council to move their Dorchester offices.

However, over 170 people packed in the United Church were denied the answer to their questions when both the WDDC's leader Councillor Robert Gould and chief executive David

Clarke both failed to show.

The party neutral meeting was organised to provide concerned residents the opportunity to debate the relocation of council offices from Stratton House to Charles Street.

All attendees voted with a show of hands against the proposal, with arguments ranging from the purported cost – around £15million – to what would happen to

the new building if the county moved to a unitary authority.

Labelled as a "white elephant" by detractors, the new building is reportedly going to save WDDC around £145,000 a year and free up town centre parking spaces.

Organiser, Liberal Democrat perspective Par-

liamentary Candidate, Dr Sue Farrent said: "There was a very large turn-out, which goes to show the strength of feeling over the council's proposal."

"Clearly from the mood of the meeting people are disgusted that the leader of the council and chief executive didn't turn up and a number of complaints to me about the arrogance toward the council tax payer."

"The show of hands at

the end was overwhelming; nobody in the building was prepared to put their hands up in support of the council's move from Stratton House to Charles Street."

Labour Party Prospective Parliamentary Candidate Steve Bick said: "Do we really need these offices, I don't think we do."

■ STORY continues on page 7

## How will the new council offices look?

THE site is at Charles Street, just to the east of the main retail area of South Street, the prime

shopping area of this historic market town.

The site, primarily used for public car parking,

extends to approximately 1.7 ha (4.0 acres).

Current designs show they will be built to the highest environmental standards using energy-saving methods like natural daylight and solar panels for heating water.

They will be built on a sloping incline over an underground car park rising to three storeys at the South Walks end.

The Charles Street/South Walks proposal shows an underground car park with 41 parking bays including



four disabled parking bays.

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# office protest meeting

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"We're likely to move to a unitary authority so the offices will not be needed at the moment, especially at the financial climate. It's a White Elephant."

Councillor Trevor Hughes said if Dorset were to move to a unitary authority, the savings would be around £20 million a year, and questioned if the best thing was simply to make do with Stratton House.

He said: "If we move up to a unitary authority the headquarters will be in Dorchester and the people will fit in County Hall, and this building [Charles Street] will not be required."

"At some stage Dorchester will go unitary, the question is if it will be in my life-time."

Dorchester town-crier Alistair Chisholm questioned the logic of having two major developments - the Brewery Square and proposed Charles Street

development - in the heart of a small market town.

He said: "Maybe you allow that development and let it work and discuss the impact on Brewery Square and then ask the people what they want on Charles Street, and maybe, maybe come up with different ideas."

"The absence of Councillor Robert Gould and David Clarke speaks volumes, more than I could ever shout."

WDDC Councillor

Karl Wallace questioned if Councillor Gould was too scared of public opinion.

He said: "I was very concerned that the leader did not attend because he is accountable to the public as the leader. Is he scared of public opinion?"

The proposals are due to go before WDDC planning committee in April for the final decision.

■ PUBLIC demand has seen a second public

meeting scheduled for Bridport to discuss the controversial relocation of West Dorset District Council's offices.

Once again Lib Dem Parliamentary Candidate Dr Sue Farrant has organised the event on Monday, April 19th, in the Town Hall from 6.30pm - 8.00pm.

Dr Farrant will again be inviting WDDC leader Councillor Robert Gould and Oliver Letwin MP to the meeting.

## Council leader to host information drop-in sessions

FOUR drop-in sessions to allow residents to put questions to senior West Dorset District Council officers has been scheduled after a public backlash over the proposed re-location of council offices.

WDDC Leader Councillor Robert Gould will be hosting the public information events so people can find out more about the proposals to move to smaller, cheaper offices in Charles Street.

The informal sessions in the council chamber at Stratton House will allow

the public to view the latest plans.

A guided tour around the current building will be held to show people the true efficiency of the building and costs run up with maintenance and cleaning bills.

Councillor Gould said: "We think opening our doors to people in this way is an excellent way to listen to what residents think, and answer any questions they may have about the scheme."

"Senior officers will be present to explain why it will be cheaper to move

than stay in Stratton House.

"Hopefully by then the planning application for the whole Charles Street scheme - including a new supermarket, shops, car park, hotel, affordable homes and public toilets - will have been submitted."

"We can talk people through those details if they are interested."

Copies of an information leaflet are available at district council office receptions in Dorchester, Dorchester Tourist Information Centre or online at [www.dorsetforyou.com/newoffices](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/newoffices)

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A video explaining why the council has to downsize can be viewed on the district council's website at [www.dorsetforyou.com/newoffices](http://www.dorsetforyou.com/newoffices)

To request a copy of the leaflet, book a place on one of the sessions or send in questions contact the Communications Team by e-mail at [communications@westdorsetdc.gov.uk](mailto:communications@westdorsetdc.gov.uk) or phone (01305) 251010.

The session dates and times are: Thursday, April

8th from 9.30am to 12pm, Monday, April 12th from 2pm to 4.30pm, Saturday, April 17th from 10am to 12pm and Monday, April 19th from 5.30pm to 7.30pm.



■ WDDC leader Councillor Robert Gould



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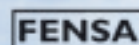
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## Easter fun at hospice fundraiser

SPRING arrived in style at the Joseph Weld Hospice when they opened their doors for the first event of the year.

There was fun for all the family as the sunshine and some very cute "bunnies" welcomed visitors to their annual spring fayre.

Children were kept occupied creating their very own Easter cards and

Easter bonnets.

The main hall housed an array of Easter goodies, including a well-stocked Easter egg tombola.

Second hand books were also on offer, joining a selection of Weldmar Hospicecare goodies.

Pictured right Easter bunnies keep watch over the egg tombola.



## M&S cash boost for Age Concern

THE team at Marks and Spencer in Dorchester continued their support of Age Concern Dorchester by presenting Chief Officer Di Lawrence with a cheque for £730.

The money was raised during the "penny bazaar" held at the local store as part of the chain's 125 year birthday celebrations.

Di said: "All of us here at Age Concern Dorchester really appreciate the fundraising that Marks and Spencer do for us, and are so grateful to their customers for their generosity, which helps us to be able offer services to older people



■ CAROLINE Pitcher and the team at Marks and Spencer present Di Lawrence from Age Concern Dorchester with a cheque for £730

in and around the town." She added: "What was nice was that on the same afternoon that the

cheque was presented, someone was telling me how kind and helpful the staff are in Marks

and Spencer, particularly towards older people with disabilities."

## Easter flavour for farmers' market

This year, April's Farmers' Market in Poundbury falls on Easter Saturday (April, 3rd), and there are plans afoot to make the occasion even more special than usual.

Local chef Jamie Jones from Yalbury Cottage, Lower Bockhampton, will be giving a practical cookery demonstration between 10am and 11am to inspire and induce you to use the wonderfully delicious local products available at the market.

There will be a welcome return for the Duchy Fisherman with his superb range of fish caught off the

coast of Weymouth and Portland, and Sopley Farm will be creating a seasonal display of soft fruit and vegetables.

For the children, both young and old, there will be an Easter egg hunt, and it is hoped that a local band will come along to complete the perfect Easter atmosphere.

The Brownsword Hall will stage its monthly craft fayre at the same time, where you can purchase handmade gifts, cards and other wares.



## Magna go the extra mile

MAGNA Housing Association staff in Dorchester went the extra mile for Sport Relief to raise over £1,000.

The team from Magna raised money in all sorts of ways, with fancy dress, raffle draws, quiz sheets and of the course the Sport Relief Mile.

Mike Taylor, Magna's solicitor who masterminded the whole event, said: "All the funds raised by Sport Relief help to transform the lives of disadvantaged and vulnerable people in the communities we work in and across the world's

poorest countries. Everyone I spoke to at Magna was keen to raise funds so I brought a team together to help organise the event."

The highlight of the day's fundraising last week was the lunchtime sports day.

Leslie Phillips chair of Magna Carline and long-standing board member for Magna, acted as referee for the event.

Staff took part in an egg and spoon race, a three-legged race and even a team sack race.

Debby Wheatley, group services

director said: "I'm so pleased with how well the day has gone. I'd really like to thank all our staff, board members and suppliers who have made this such a success."

"Many of our contractors and staff have been very generous in donating raffle prizes."

Mike added: "It's been a fabulously successful day and I'm already looking forward to beating our target at the next Sport Relief event."

Pictured are Staff from Magna Housing Association during their sports day events.

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# Busy month for the Rotary Clubs of Dorchester

DORCHESTER Casterbridge Rotary Club held a very successful bric-a-brac sale at the United Church, with many local charities and organisations benefiting from the proceeds.

With the cost of a table covering the hire charges for the hall, every penny made during the sale was kept by those taking

**By Anita Harries**

part.

Many people took advantage of the chance to generate some much needed funds. Julia's House, the Children's Society and the Dorset Kidney Fund joined other organisations like Dorchester Social

Stroke Club, Dorset Advocacy and Victims of Torture to set out a wide range of goods to tempt the browsers and the buyers.

Dorchester and District Crime Prevention Panel brought along an assortment of alarms and other personal safety items under the knowledgeable gaze of chairman

Jon Halewood.

Maiden Castle WI produced a mouth-watering display of cakes and preserves, all home-made of course. And Phoenix Cards set out their superb range of cards and wrapping paper to be ordered or purchased on the day.

Ann Snowden and her band of helpers

were kept busy pouring cups of tea and coffee and handing out cake and biscuits. Members of Dorchester Casterbridge Rotary were on hand throughout the morning to make sure everything ran smoothly, and those who took part were more than grateful for the opportunity to just turn up and make money.

## Haiti appeal exceeds £40,000

THE total raised in Dorchester and surrounding villages in support of the Earthquake Appeal in Haiti has reached a new height of £40,011.

Collectively local schools have now raised £14,305 with £12,212 being sent directly to Dorchester Rotary Clubs for them to send Shelter Boxes and Water Survival boxes to Haiti from their store in the West Country.

Rotarians on the ground in Haiti will ensure that the boxes are delivered to the neediest areas. All of the boxes have a tracking number to enable the donor to track them to their destination online.

The pupils and staff at Thomas Hardy School raised £5,943 and some of the village schools raised equally significant sums.

Overall, local children raised more than 25 per cent of the money raised for the appeal.



■ JOHN and Jackie Sherfield from Dorchester Social Stroke Club

## Young chef reaches national final

FOR the fourth year running a candidate put forward by Dorchester Casterbridge Rotary Club has qualified for the national final of Rotary Young Chef of the Year.

Stephanie Jones from Thomas Hardy School in Dorchester was highly commended by the judges of the regional final, held recently in Paignton, both for the standard and quality of the three course meal she produced and for her calm and supportive demeanour in the kitchen.

Stephanie was accompanied to the regional final by her Mother, Michelle Jones and by Sally Voss, Food Technol-

ogy Teacher from Thomas Hardy School.

Stephanie is mentored by Steve Titman, the Executive Chef at

Summer Lodge Hotel, Evershot, whose support, together with that of the teaching staff at Thomas Hardy School, produced the winner of the 2009 Competition -

Hailey Vickers (another pupil from Thomas Hardy School).

The national final will be held in Chichester on April 24th.



■ FROM left is Sally Voss, food technology teacher from Thomas Hardy School, Stephanie's Mum Michelle Jones, Young chef Stephanie Jones and Lorraine Wong of the Casterbridge Rotary Club.

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# Rock 'n' rolling fun



■ JOAN Hickmott from Dorchester Opportunity Group with organisers of the evening's festivities

ROCK 'n' Roll and high school frolics came to the Corn Exchange in Dorchester in a 1950s themed fundraiser to benefit the Dorchester Opportunity Group.

Organised by Dorchester Moose, almost every seat was filled with popcorn crunching punters awaiting the main attraction, a screening of the hit 1978 film Grease.

With song books provided, many had turned up in fancy dress to join John Travolta and Olivia

## By Anita Harries

Newton-John in belting out big screen favourites like "Summer Lovin'" and "You're the One That I Want". It was fabulous fun, with everyone shouting, cheering and clapping along to the music.

Everyone from the Mayor of Dorchester, Councillor Susie Hosford, to a lovely group of people from the Friendship Club threw themselves whole-heartedly

into the magical atmosphere of the big screen.

The Pit Stop Café was kept busy selling burgers, hot-dogs, chips and cheesecake.

One of the highlights of the evening was a performance by a group of young ladies from the Dorchester Ballet and Dance Club.

A colourful spectacle in polka dot skirts they entered into the spirit of the evening by performing

some superb rock 'n' roll numbers. Guests were then invited to take to the floor for some quick tuition.

It really was a well organised evening, and without exception everyone had an amazing time. The dance floor remained packed, with some very nifty footwork not least of all from the Mayor's Escort Toni Biondic who gave a sterling performance accompanied by Town Crier Alistair Chisholm.

It is all credit to Moose members Barry and Debbie Smith and their team that the evening was so successful, a fact acknowledged by Joan Hickmott from the Dorchester Opportunity Group.

She was overwhelmed at the response and took the chance to explain to people the work carried out by the group and the way in which any money donated helps children and their families not just in Dorchester but further afield.

The event raised in excess of £1,500.



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■ THE young ladies of Dorchester Ballet and Dance Club were superb

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# MP fears cider tax will hit Dorset businesses

A HUGE 10 per cent tax increase on West Country favourite cider has been dubbed "mis-judged" by West Dorset MP Oliver Letwin who fears that the rise could have a negative affect on Dorset businesses.

Chancellor of the Exchequer Alistair Darling claimed the increase was to bring cider in line with wine, beer and spirits, who only suffered a one per cent tax increase, but it has also been suggested that the increase in cider duty would reduce the number of people abusing high-strength alcoholic drinks.

West Dorset MP Oliver Letwin feels that the tax is unfair on cider makers and apple growers across the county.

He said: "I don't think it is very well judged. There does need to be a rise in duty for super strength ciders used in binge drinking but this version that the chancellor has come up with also clobbers the perfectly ordinary ciders which are not used for binge drinking.

"The problem is if you don't distinguish you are unlikely to have an affect on binge drinking because people will just simply pay a little bit more.

"What we want to do is to tilt people in the direction of the lower strength ciders.

"I think this will particularly affect the specialist local producers around the West Country and also the local apple growers who supply the cider makers."

The Stable Cider House in Bridport is home to 46 types of cider and owner Richard Cooper has vowed not to put his prices up despite the tax hike.

"We feel that it's a very important product for the whole of the West Country and the Stable is what we regard as a cathedral of cider.

"We are going to take it on the chin and not pass that added cost onto the customer because we value our suppliers and the great work that they do and we don't want

this to interfere with the great job that they do.

"We have always known there is going to be a catch up situation because cider has been lacking behind wine and beer so it doesn't come as a massive surprise but it is a massive increase in comparison, more than anybody expected.

"I think there are deeper and bigger social problems around underage and binge drinking and we as a business never offer drink deals in general.

"The lion's share of the problem actually comes from people buying at off licences and drinking at home and so to penalise the license trade I think is very unfair."

Penny Whatmoor of the Mill House Cider Museum in Dorchester is concerned about the effect the tax increase may have.

"I do find the large increase in duty disappointing. I feel it is an easy target for the government to raise revenue," she said.

"A lot of the ciders we retail are made by very small producers that are not affected by duty, but we will have to pass on the price increase from our bigger suppliers.

"In the last few years cider has become a much more mainstream and fashionable drink, with a huge range of interesting varieties that appeal to people from all walks of life and all ages.

"It is all these people who will be affected by the increase, not just the very small minority who will binge on any type of

alcohol, whether cider, lager, vodka, or anything else.

"I very much hope that the popularity of cider will not be too affected."

Since the announcement last Wednesday, a "Leave our cider alone" Facebook campaign group has already attracted 50,000 supporters.

● A SEPARATE campaign is also running to get West Country music legends The Wurzels to number one with their hit "I Am A Cider Drinker".

## Crimestoppers poster success

DORSET Crimestoppers is encouraging people to report crimes anonymously after a recent campaign led to arrests in Weymouth.

Dorset Police worked with Dorset Crimestoppers to create and distribute posters across Weymouth and Portland encouraging the public to anonymously report any information that they might have about drug dealers – particularly heroin dealers – in the area. The posters sparked several public calls to Crimestoppers, leading to two arrests relating to alleged drug dealing in Weymouth.

The public can contact Crimestoppers anonymously, free of charge on 0800 555111 or visit their website at [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org)

# Dorset holiday parks to ask: 'How did we do?'

HOLIDAYMAKERS to Dorset will have the chance to pass judgement on the holiday parks they visit this year - thanks to a national appraisal scheme set up with the help of a Bridport park owner.

Martin Cox of Highlands End Holiday Park is chairman of the working party set up to develop the scheme by the park industry's body BH&HPA (British Holiday & Home Parks Association).

Special feedback questionnaires appearing on park websites and in print will allow guests to rate their stay, and to say what they felt about the standards on offer.

Their views - on everything from park lighting to the quality of the pool - will be used to help create a national blueprint for the perfect park holiday experience.

Martin said: "Holiday parks are very important to the economy of rural and coastal areas such as Dorset, and the scheme's aim is to give parks a better focus on what their customer's value most," he commented.

"I hope that Dorset park owners and managers will help lead the way by adopting the scheme as it is ultimately their businesses and the region as a whole which will benefit," he added.

As well as being able to see how they measure up against UK averages, Dorset parks will be able to pick up on their own guests' special likes and dislikes.

Martin says that BH&HPA, of which he is a former national chairman, predicts that around 80 million nights will be spent on holiday parks in 2010.

The year-on-year increase in numbers, he believes, suggests that the industry is measuring up to consumers' expectations, but he hopes that the new feedback system will allow parks to fine-tune their product for the guests they attract, and to remedy anything which guests feel needs attention.

Completing the form should take no more than ten minutes, and guests will be able to opt-in to a £1,000 cash draw which will take place later this year.

The survey can be completed anonymously, but there is an opportunity for holidaymakers to provide contact details if they would like a response from the park to their comments.

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# Confusion and comedy from drama club



■ **BROWNIE** leader Helen Beever (Lee Stroud) makes her point to Leonard (Trevor Williams)



■ **PANTOMIME** cat David (Kevin Morris) sympathises with Evonne

It may have been a damp, dreary evening outside, but inside the Parish Centre, Dorchester was a totally different story with the Dorchester Drama Club's performance of "Out of Focus".

As one has now come to expect from this exceptional band of amateur thespians, this farce was as good as any they have performed in the past and reinforced their fast growing reputation for this particular genre.

Set in a church hall annexe, the comedy was fast moving and the timing near perfection. The story revolved around a wonderfully eccentric mix of characters all gathering at the same time for very diverse activities. The hapless vicar's wife, brilliantly portrayed by Ann Ottaway, caused chaos and confusion by booking the venue out to several organisations at the same time. She had to face the wrath of not only terrifying brownie leader Helen Beever, played to perfection by Lee Stroud, but a badminton club, a table tennis match, pantomime rehearsals and a slide show about locomotives.

Confusion reigns supreme until from amidst the chaos everyone unites in an attempt to make the pantomime a success.

The pantomime characters were as bizarre as the people who played them.

The seductive Linda (Anne Reeve) made an equally seductive Cinderella, much to the chagrin of the Good Fairy (Angie Ramsden) who was convinced she was having an affair with her husband, the badminton playing Ugly Sister (Vince Jones).

The thick but cocky Wayne, complete with baseball cap, track suit and mobile phone, took the part of Buttons. Reminiscent of a character straight out of Harry Enfield, James Cuthill made the part of Wayne his own and did so admirably.

The role of the Prince fell to badminton player and peace-maker Sue Dixon (Stella Hollis), who spent much of her time as a go-between placating troubled couple Kath and Bob. Table tennis playing policeman David Wright (Kevin Morris) became victim to the amorous advances of brownie leader Helen who spent half of her time as an Ugly Sister and the other half sulking. And to make matters worse he ended up as the pantomime cat, played brilliantly and with all the subtlety of a sledge hammer.

The poor down trodden vicar's wife struggled through

By Anita Harries

the whole charade, one minute an Ugly Sister the next minute not. And throughout this catalogue of catastrophe and confusion, the man with the slideshow wended his way. Concerned only with eating his sandwiches and the safety of his equipment, he had a slide show for every occasion and every eventuality.

Leonard Trotter was played by Trevor Williams, a man who has the ability to make comedy his own. Not only taking part but directing the play as well, he is the master of farce.

This was another superb play from Dorchester Drama Club. First class entertainment by first class performers left the audience wanting more. They do comedy so well you really must go along and see them if you get the chance.



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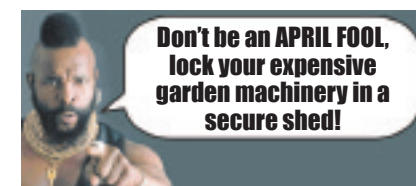
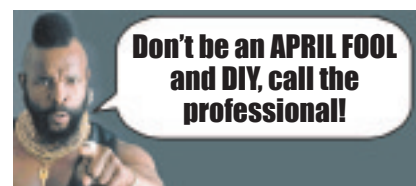
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We recommend that your contractor be registered in a national trade association, such as the NFRC.

#### 2. Does the company carry insurance?

Workers compensation and liability insurance to be specific. If a worker is hurt and the roofing contractor does not have insurance the homeowner is liable. Ask to have current certificates sent to you. Do not accept the roofing contractor at their word. They may carry health, life and car insurance. Bland assurances of insurance coverage may refer to these. (Does your roofer's insurance cover him if he is not qualified)?

#### 3. What is the company's workmanship warranty?

Some warranties are for one year, some are longer. The length of a roofing contractors warranty is not really as important as customer referrals. Most workmanship errors will be found within the first year, probably the first good storm. The reason this question is important is most roofing contractors will warranty the workmanship, and the manufacturer will warranty the product as long as it is installed correctly. Make sure you understand warranties.

#### 4. Does your roofer carry out risk assessments and method statements for each job by a qualified site supervisor? What is a risk assessment?

- Identify the hazard.
- Decide who might be harmed and how.
- Evaluate the risk and decide on precautions
- Record your findings and record them
- Review your assessment and update if necessary

#### 5. Is your roofer trained to work at heights?

Does your roofer have an NVQ or are trained/ap-proved in the job to be carried out?

### How do I choose a roofing contractor?

One of the best places to start looking is in the NFRC (National Federation of Roofing Contractors) Directory, which lists proven property professionals from all over the UK. Always make sure the roofing contractor you hire is registered.

Weeding out the cowboys, or how to spot a dishonest contractor.

It is every homeowner's nightmare. Hiring a contractor that seemed capable on first impression, only to have them make a mess of your beautiful home through lack of skill! Luckily, your best protection against this disappointment is good old-fashioned word of mouth. Ask friends, family or neighbours for



recommendations (or warnings!) regarding local contractors. Ask them if the work was completed to schedule and within budget. Also, you can ask the prospective contractor for a portfolio of references and photos of their work. Any good contractor will be happy to show you these. If they're not, it's probably best to look elsewhere.

### What to look out for

•Commonly used 'sales pitches': Anything that sounds too good to be true usually is. Be especially aware of very low initial estimates.

•Door knockers: never hire a contractor who offers their services door to door.

•Pointing out fictional problems: View descriptions of awful or very complicated problems with suspicion. If you can't easily find out about it online, it's probably not true.

•"It's urgent!": Undue stress of this point is always a bad sign. An honest contractor will not pressure you into making a decision.

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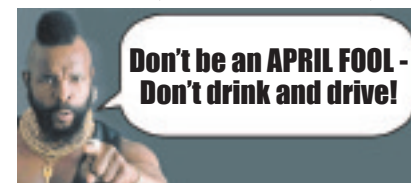
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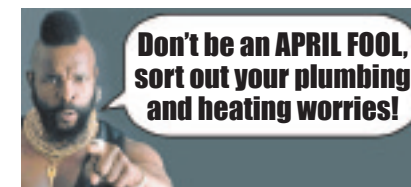


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**Here she tells TOM GLOVER her story.**

around raising her two young girls Marianna decided upon "Scoff", a business that daughters May and Daisy definitely approve of.

Marianna said: "The best part of my job is the flexibility, I get to be a mum as much as I want to be. It's massively flexible which is the nirvana of work that everybody strives for.

"The kids are so over excited everyday because there are cakes all over the place, which they are

not allowed to eat.

"At the moment the girls just want to eat it, they don't actually understand the concept of actually making something with ingredients and then getting an end product. It's more about how much they can get into their mouth."

Although her girls are much more interested in eating cakes rather than baking them, for the time being, she is very keen that they develop a good foundation in cooking.

"I remember cooking with my mum. She was at home everyday and she cooked and cooked and cooked. That was my memory of her, putting family meals on the table. She didn't bake a great deal but cooking was huge and we learnt to cook meals for ourselves at a very young age, certainly much younger than health and safety would feel was appropriate," she joked.

"Whether my girls show an interest or an aptitude I don't know, but even as a basic skill, cooking is something I think they should have.

"I do think in this day and age being able to make a nutritious meal is one of the basic core skills everybody should have and unfortunately not everybody does have it. At least if my children have it I'll feel I've achieved something.

"I don't buy any pre packed food. In the main it is things I've made from scratch, it's healthier, it has less salt, less fat, it tastes twice as good and it means they know what real food tastes like. If they're

very good they might get a cupcake when they come home from school."

Having decided upon her business Marianna soon found her first, and most loyal client, Steve Attrill of The Hive Beach Café in Burton Bradstock.

Eighteen-months down the line Marianna still provides cakes to the café and her popularity has seen her build up a list of private clients.

"The business is developing slowly and we need to keep it under control because I don't want to put in so much time that I don't have time for my children," she said.

"It's work and a hobby all rolled into one and it is something that when the girls are older I can step up, which I quite intend to do and use the foundation I have got to make a proper business out of it."

Marianna is currently in the process of moving house from which she hopes to offer cookery courses in the future. When her children are a bit older Marianna hopes

to start running small cookery courses offering casual chefs advice on cooking for children, low fat food and food for entertaining among other topics.

At first adapting to country life was a little difficult for Marianna but she is now more than happy to be living life on Bridport time.

"It took some adjustment but in a really nice way. It was a nice lesson to learn that life doesn't have to be lived at that sort of pace, with your blinkers on. You can actually stop and enjoy it and make a life for yourself and that is what it's all about," she said.

"I don't miss city life at all, I haven't been back since and I have no intention of going back. I'd rather go to the beach than go to London.

"I'm really glad I had that time because it's made me appreciate what I have here and I think I might have been restless not knowing what else was available so I think it all happened at the right time."

A childhood spent cooking with her mum

in the kitchen almost definitely laid the foundations for Marianna's career, but that is a nostalgic memory that she would like to keep in the past.

Her mum still lives in Kent but with a flat in Bridport where she may one day move to cast an eye over her daughter's work.

"I think she is raising her eyebrows in astonishment that I can make a living out of cooking cakes, she thinks it is just utterly bizarre that it is something that someone can make a living out of and fairly bizarre that I would want to do it," she said.

"Luckily for me she is not as sprightly as she was 10-years-ago so she won't be taking over in the kitchen but she might come and knit in the corner and offer me advice.

"I think she'd like to be involved but probably just coming in and having a taste and then taking cakes out to the girls and pretending she made them."



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The New Curiosity Shop is proud to offer its customers "inspirational gifts, jewellery and furniture", a claim which is delivered on all counts, with quality items that you will be proud to own and show to your friends and family.

Coeur de Lion is a world-renowned jewellery range, famous for its cubed collection of necklaces, bracelets and earrings. The Spring/Summer collection is now in-store. For the guys they also feature Fred Bennett for men, a modern range of silver and stainless steel pendants, bracelets and rings; as well as the Simon Carter iconic British collection that includes contemporary style cufflinks, wallets, pens, bags and coming soon retro style watches.

You will also discover some unusual items which are certain to become must have items in the near future such as Reiselthel's chic shopping baskets and bags. These are flawless in design and versatile for shopping in style about town or at the local market.

Sarah Hough creates contemporary paper goods on 100% recycled paper. She is proud that her stationery is both designed and printed in Dorset. This range is available through The New Curiosity Shop along side rustic hand made furniture made from reclaimed timber and metal in the designers Dorset workshop these are beautiful, functional and unique pieces of furniture including bespoke mirrors, coffee tables, display units and wine racks. Continuing the home and interior theme, a Dorset based award winning photographer shows atmospheric photographs of Dorset coast and landscapes through the shop. These are sold as stunning signed mounted prints ready to be framed.

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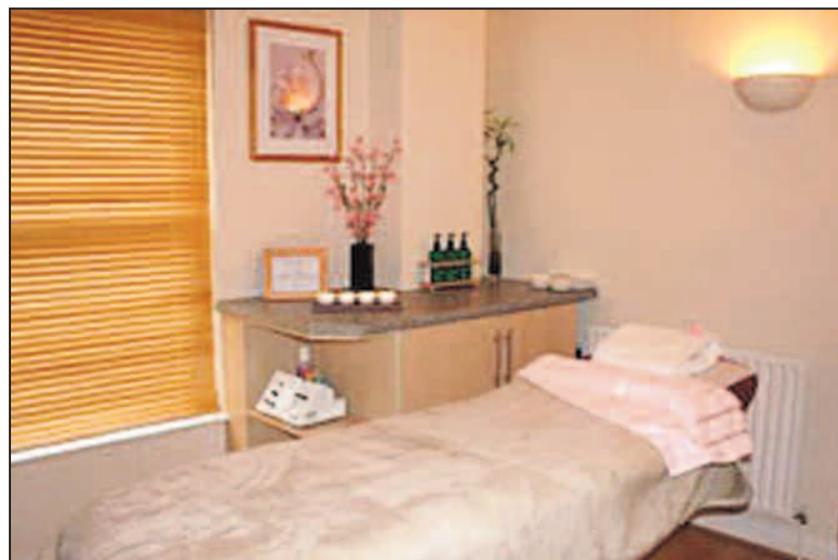
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ity vintage and antique furniture. You will also find some superb original French examples.

The quality of products and craftsmanship, coupled with exceptional customer services has already earned the shop repeat business even though it has only been open since January 2nd this year. Look out in the spring for some wonderful garden furniture and beautiful planted pales.

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## Perfect venue for stylish Hens

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On the rails you will find items of everyday and evening wear from High Street favourites like Monsoon, along side labels from fashion giants such as Vivian Westwood, Armani, Karen Millen and Yves Saint Laurent. The shop is great for dressing for any special occasion and



welcomes Brides, their mums and anybody else who needs that perfect

individual outfit.

Victoria's Closet is also a must for accessories, offering new, pre-owned and vintage jewellery, as well as stylish handbags by the likes of Louis Vuitton and Dolce and Gabbana. You will also find a delicious range of underwear and corsets.

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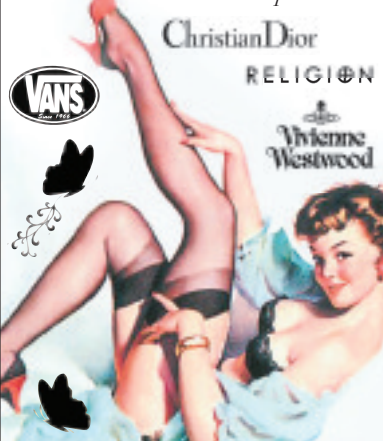
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## Budding models shooting for the stars

A modelling competition organised to raise money for a children's charity Get Kids Going! saw a stream of potential wannabes stop by at Ian Radford's mobile Natural Focus Photography studio in South Street, Dorchester last weekend.

Ian's idea is to raise money for the charity that helps disabled children and young people up to the age of 26-years-old to participate in sport, is this is just one of a number of events that he is organising in a bid to raise £6000 by the end of July to buy two wheelchairs.

The ladies received a makeover from Medusa Apothecary before being photographed.

This week Ian will choose a male and female model who will win a photo shoot session at his studio, with the lucky lady also receiving a makeover before the shoot.



▲ Mitch Williams of Natural Focus Photography has Tom Prior in her sights



▲ Sarah Flewett receives her makeover from Danielle De-Bear of Medusa Apothecary prior to being photographed



## Monstrous Easter fun!

The award winning Dinosaur Museum is the only museum on mainland Britain dedicated to dinosaurs, and is a treat, especially for children. The museum combines life-sized reconstructions of dinosaurs with fossils and skeletons to create an exciting hands-on experience. Multimedia displays tell the story of the giant prehistoric animals and their enthralling world millions of years ago.

The Great Easter Dinosaur Egg Hunt is the Easter Egg Hunt with a difference and is held at the Dinosaur Museum all over the Easter weekend. The Great Dinosaur Easter Egg Hunt involves children in actually hunting throughout the museum to spot the dinosaur eggs on display. As well as this, children have to discover the answers to various clues in the Dinosaur Mystery.

Dinosaurs reproduced by laying eggs in nests on the ground. Dinosaur eggs have been found all over the world although discoveries of dinosaur eggs in England are rare. However, the Dinosaur Museum, in Dorchester, has several superb dinosaur eggs on display from other parts of the world.



The Great Dinosaur Egg Hunt is from Good Friday 2nd April to Bank Holiday Easter Monday 5th April at the Dinosaur Museum, in Dorchester. It's monster fun for all the family whatever the weather. There are prizes for all participating children. The Dinosaur Museum is open daily from 9.30 to 5.30. For further information phone 01305 269880 or visit [www.thedinosaurmuseum.com](http://www.thedinosaurmuseum.com)

## Easter holiday family days out

For family fun during the Easter holidays, why not join in with one of the popular family workshops at Dorset County Museum? On Wednesday 7 April, artist Peter Ursem, whose work is featured in the current exhibition **Dorset Footprint**, will be running an imaginative drawing and painting workshop entitled **Bumblebee Celebrates his Birthday**. This will take place between 10 and 11.30 am and 2 and 3.30pm. On the following Wednesday (14 April) between 10.30 am and 12.30 pm, there will be a family printing activity using lino, potatoes, stamps and screens. All are welcome and each activity costs just £3 per child.

On 23 April (St George's Day) there will be a lively folk concert at the Museum featuring **Fingerz 'N' Fretz**. Made up of local musicians Jerry Bird and James Findlay, Fingerz 'N' Fretz are an established and very popular local folk duo. James has recently won further acclaim by winning the BBC's young folk musician of the year 2010 competition so this event promises to be very popular. Tickets cost just £7.50 and are available now from the Museum.

The current exhibition at Dorset County Museum which runs until 24 April is entitled **Dorset Footprint**. It showcases recent works by Dutch artist, Peter Ursem who has won wide acclaim for his distinctive woodcuts, lino cuts and woodengravings of the Dorset landscape. Sales of Peter's work are already going well so if you would like to acquire a beautiful piece of Dorset-related art, come along before 24 April. Entry is free.



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## Open forum meeting a success



▲ Phil Gordon with Directors and representatives of BID Businesses (photo:mac@imagesphotography.tv)

Phil Gordon, BID Project Director, and some of the Directors and representatives of BID businesses attended a successful Open Forum Meeting on Tuesday 2nd March. This was a chance to air views and consider ideas for implementing or adding to the projects being undertaken.

There was a lengthy discussion of the topical issue of A boards and the BID plan to offer ladder boards as an alternative.

Amongst other ideas put forward were: getting Dorchester articles into foreign magazines particularly to capitalise on interest in Thomas Hardy, a major cycling event (TH would have approved!), support for Blue Badge guides, more hanging baskets and disabled friendly pedestrianisation.

The Board will consider all ideas mentioned. If you were unable to attend and wish to add any please send them to Phil Gordon at philg@dorchesterdorset.co.uk

## What the Romans Did!

This is another family event taking place on May bank holiday weekend, 30th and 31st May, where you can all get creative at the Dorchester Roman Town House. Drop in between 10.30am to 5pm and make a mosaic and help make Roman costume jewellery. The Ancient Wessex Network will display art and craft inspired by the Romans and demonstrate their techniques using clay, metal and textiles.

If you are visiting on the bank holiday Monday, why not bring a picnic and take part in the National Family Week Picnic. Bring your picnic to the Roman Town House between 12.00 and 2.00pm and join in the World Record breaking attempt for the biggest picnic ever.

Please visit the Roman Town House website for more details on future events.

The Roman Town House is open all year round and admission is free. The Roman Town House is an ideal site for an educational visit. A guided tour and associated activities can be booked through the Dorset County Museum. Educational resources for use in the classroom are available through the Dorset County Schools Library Service. For a fee, an artefact box can be loaned, the box contains a range of small items reflecting life in a Roman Town House over the period that the Dorchester House was occupied.

Joining the Friends of the Roman Town House will give you a chance to take

part in events, meet new friends and learn more about the site. Membership starts at £5.00 per year for individuals and £10.00 for families.

Why not try a visit to the 360 degrees virtual tour of the Roman Town House to get an overview of this fantastic family attraction and be part of our Roman past. There are also many Roman finds to be found in the Dorset County Museum.

Combine your visit to the Dorchester Roman Town House with a trip around the town where you will find some great places to eat and shop.

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In September 1685, 312 cases were heard in the Oakroom at the rear of the Antelope Hotel; of these 292 were sentenced to death. Only 74 were executed, with 175 transported, 9 were fined or whipped and 54 were discharged.

Judge Jeffreys - having his eye on promotion - was later made Lord Chancellor.

When King James fell and William of Orange landed in Torbay, Jeffreys was cap-



tures and imprisoned in the Tower of London. He died in 1689 while awaiting trial, probably of natural causes. Rumours at the time said he has been poisoned while in the Tower and that his body had been returned to Dorchester and wallled up in the Courtroom - now the Oakroom.

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From owning a bridal and eveningwear shop in Wells, Elaine moved first to Yeovil and has now settled in the county town. She said: "I am very pleased with the way the first four months in Dorchester have gone. This is a good town with a strong community involvement, and I am

looking forward to the future of Figure 8 with a great deal of confidence." Elaine is aiming to increase her size range in August to include 12 - 30, with the emphasis on 18+. She also hopes to introduce her own label in September with clothing she will design herself. This will provide some unique outfits and enable Elaine to take full advantage of her training in fashion design.

Figure 8 held an open day at the weekend to invite customers both old and new to come and browse through her amazing clothes. With bucks fizz, wine, and cup cakes tempt-



▲ Make-up expert Claire Perry works her magic on model Justin Orwin

Orwin, looking great in designs from her current range. The shop also offers make-overs to customers to give a whole new look and boost your confidence by Experimenting with different colours and clothing. This comes with the opportunity to have your very own photo-shoot. So if you want to look good and want to feel comfortable about yourself and your size, you need go no further than Figure 8.



▲ Elaine inside the well laid out shop

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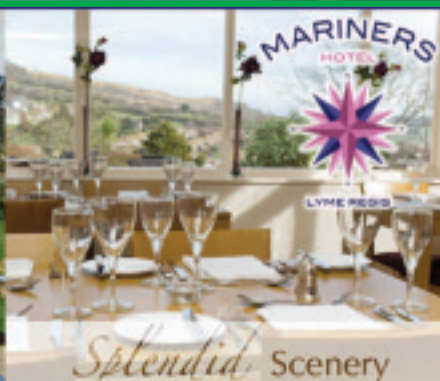
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## View 2 Music

How old is too old  
for the club scene?

LAST week I want clubbing; something I don't do all that often these days. Now approaching my mid-30s, most of my friends have better things to do (like bringing up their children, for starters) whilst even I'm usually more inclined to curl up with a hot chocolate and retire to bed rather than staying up to the small hours.

The last time I set foot in a club was June '09, when I found myself in Queenstown – New Zealand's number one party town and the world capital of extreme sports. This is a place strictly for "cool dudes," so quite what I was doing there I'm not sure!

I was the oldest person in this particular club – the name of which escapes me – by about ten years. I barely recognised a tune all evening and spent the night trying to work out why so many clubbers were sporting woolly ski hats when a) we were inside and b) it was boiling hot. I never did work that one out, but I did decide that this would be the last time I'd go clubbing. I'm just too old for it these days, I thought.

There might be a few of you out there – dare I say it – even older than me, that think going to clubs like Flares and Reflex (that specialise in playing tunes from the Seventies and Eighties respectively) still counts. Sorry, they don't; they're just too naff to be included as proper clubs!

Anyway, I digress. A month or so ago a mate of mine down in Southampton asked if I was up for catching a DJ set by Peter Hook. Now Hooky, as us Joy Division / New Order fans like to call him, has been more than busy since leaving the group back in 2006. Originally he said the band had split, but the rest of New Order carried on without him changing their name to Bad Lieutenant in the process (probably to keep Hooky's lawyers at bay).

First off, Hooky wrote a book on his adventures (but more misadventures) as co-owner of Manchester's legendary nightclub, The Hacienda, which was open from 1982 to 1997.

'How Not To Run A Club' is a fantastic read that anyone with the slightest interest in the "Madchester" / acid house scene won't be able to put down. It will also leave you even more gobsmacked on hearing the the news that since publishing said book, Hooky's only gone and opened another club – FAC251 The Factory – which is named after his old record label. Talk about not learning your lesson!

Peter has two bands on the go – The Light and supergroup Freebass (comprising solely of bass players) – and also has a forthcoming tour where he'll be giving a talk, followed by a Q&A session hosted by Howard Marks.

When he does have a spare five minutes – and that can't be very often – Hooky can often be found DJing in nightclubs around the UK. An article on whether or not DJing really is an art form in itself can be saved for a rainy day (although I can assure you it is). But Hooky's set was no example of mind-blowing turntabling skills – it was all about giving the crowd what they wanted.

By the time he hit the stage at The Soul Cellar in Southampton, most of the crowd (of a very mixed age group, I hasten to add... I wasn't the oldest – hoorah!) knew what they wanted to hear.

Hooky delivered, with every other track being a New Order or Joy Division number – with many a cool remix along the way – and plenty of great tunes by other artists along the way.

Proving Hooky bears no grudge to former band mate Bernard Sumner, he even played one of Barney's tunes that he recorded with The Chemical Brothers a few years back (although I didn't hear any Bad Lieutenant!).

I always thought being in a band playing your own songs to an audience that loves 'em must be the best job in the world. I still do. But just turning up with a couple of decks and a laptop – rather than a bunch of people and a load of instruments – playing your own tunes and your favourites by other artists? Well, that certainly doesn't sound a bad shout, does it?

For those purists who want to be impressed by cutting edge DJ skills when they go clubbing, I'd say it's not how you play it but what you play. Hooky's setlist was dancefloor heaven. And he's 54. Perhaps I'm not too old to go clubbing after all!

by James Coles



**ON THE DECKS** | Former Joy Division and New Order man Peter Hook can often be found DJing around the country

Harmonica Hero  
for the Halls

SATURDAY (April 3rd) sees the first in a series of concerts at Lyme Regis' Woodmead Halls, with blues harmonica maestro Paul Lamb and The Kingsnakes kicking off the series.

Hailed as Europe's foremost blues harmonica exponent, Paul Lamb has sold record breaking quantities of albums and performed the world over with his long standing musical compatriots the Kingsnakes, featuring long time vocalist and guitarist, Chad Strenz, and former Van Morrison bassman, Rod Demick.

"They play blues like Brando used to straddle a Triumph, lazily, cocksure, coolly and aggressive" – Blues & Rhythm.

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The band have won countless awards and have been voted Top British Blues Band more times than any other. They breath sheer class and this show is a must for all blues fans!

The support will come from Mark Foxhall and Band.

Tickets for this incredible concert can be obtained from Lyme Regis Tourist Information Centre (telephone 01297 442138), or from Focus, 62 Broad Street, Lyme Regis. Alternatively you can get your tickets online at [www.lymeregis.tv](http://www.lymeregis.tv) or [www.woodmeadhalls.org.uk](http://www.woodmeadhalls.org.uk)



**HARPING ON** | Paul Lamb and his Kingsnakes will bring the best of British Blues

Music Centre celebrates  
25th anniversary

WEST Dorset Music Centre celebrated their 25th anniversary with a concert at beaminster school, involving members of the Orchestra, senior Wind Band, Boogie band and String band as well as former members and friends.

Solos on flute and clarinet were performed by Grace Dawson and Ella Horne.



**The orchestra in rehearsal**

## Poetry for Pleasure

by Frank McGarry

## The Approach of Spring

They say that it will soon be spring  
With painted flowers and scented breeze,  
So joyfully the birds do sing.

Chiffchaffs will soon be on the wing,  
And blackbirds group in twos and threes:  
They say that it will soon be spring.

Sweet honeysuckle starts to cling  
While daffs attract the early bees;  
So joyfully the birds do sing.

The season's started with a swing,  
We welcome it upon our knees;  
They say that it will soon be spring.

We measure out the rows with string  
Then plant broad beans and sugar peas;  
So joyfully the birds do sing.

Old men their pints of bitter bring  
To sit and stare beneath the trees;  
They say that it will soon be spring,  
So joyfully the birds do sing.

That cheering poem came from Anne Kaye and we all hope she is right. Winter has lasted far too long this year. Easter arrives this week, with its happy story of the resur-

rection, and spring is here bringing the countryside back to life. It brings many of us back to life too: some are venturing into their gardens again, others maybe spring-cleaning indoors. I hope spring is putting a spring back into your step. As Henry Wadsworth Longfellow entreats us in his 'Psalm of Life', "let us then be up and doing, with a heart for any fate."

## A Psalm of Life

Tell me not in mournful numbers,  
Life is but an empty dream!  
For the soul is dead that slumbers,  
And things are not what they seem.

Life is real! Life is earnest!  
And the grave is not its goal;  
Dust thou are, to dust thou returnest,  
Was not spoken of the soul.

Not enjoyment, and not sorrow,  
Is our destined end or way;  
But to act, that each tomorrow  
Find us farther than today.

Art is long, and Time is fleeting,  
And our hearts, though stout and brave,  
Still, like muffled drums, are beating  
Funeral marches to the grave.

In the world's broad field of battle,  
In the bivouac of Life,  
Be not like dumb, driven cattle!  
Be a hero in the strife!

Trust no Future, howe'er pleasant!  
Let the dead Past bury its dead!  
Act, - act in the living Present!  
Heart within, and God o'erhead!

Lives of great men all remind us  
We can make our lives sublime,  
And, departing, leave behind us  
Footprints on the sand of time;

Footprints, that perhaps another,  
Sailing o'er life's solemn main,  
A forlorn and shipwrecked brother,  
Seeing, shall take heart again.  
Let us then be up and doing,  
With a heart for any fate;  
Still achieving, still pursuing,  
Learn to labor and to wait.

If you have a short poem of your own that you would like to share with our readers please send it to: "Poetry for Pleasure", View from Publishing Ltd., St Michael's Business Centre, Lyme Regis, Dorset, DT7 3QF. Or e-mail it to us at: [pemedia@pemedia.co.uk](mailto:pemedia@pemedia.co.uk)

Wessex Military  
Band Invites You

ANYONE who has been watching Sue Perkins attempting to breathe new life into the Dinnington Colliery Brass Band on BBC 2 on Monday nights will know how hard it is to keep voluntary wind bands afloat these days. Fortunately for the Bridport bands, they have all been very well supported by locals, tourists and the town council alike so are all thriving, much to the delight of players and audiences alike.

The Wessex Military Band is one local band that has done exceptionally well in the last two years. It has won several awards for best band, best marching display and most entertaining band of the various concerts it has performed in. It has travelled around Europe, having been booked to play at various tattoos and festivals. It has been honoured to have been conducted by two top conductors from the Army and Marines Band Services, including Chris Davies OBE, who has offered to return to rehearse and conduct the band again later in the year, and it has recently been invited to perform at the very popular Maltese Military Tattoo which takes place in October. Currently the band is rehearsing for its latest performance at Bridport Arts Centre on Sunday, April 11th April at 6pm, Box Office 01308 424204. Tickets £8, concessions £6.

The band would also like to invite new members to join this unique band, which guarantees travel, playing alongside professionals and a once in a lifetime experience no other bands can offer. Currently, owing to some of its members being busy with commitments in the British Army Band Service, it is looking for 1st and 3rd Clarinet, 1st cornet and piccolo players but welcomes enquiries from other sections. Come along and speak to

members on the night, phone the band office answerphone on 01308 425010, or email them at [wsxmilitaryband@btinternet.com](mailto:wsxmilitaryband@btinternet.com)

Alternatively to find out more visit the website and MySpace pages [www.wessexmilitaryband.co.uk](http://www.wessexmilitaryband.co.uk) and [www.myspace.com/wessexmilitaryband](http://www.myspace.com/wessexmilitaryband)





# Alice at the Palace

THE Electric Palace, Bridport is showing the latest release children's film Alice In Wonderland (PG) for Easter week and is offering a children's meal deal of burger, chips and a drink for just £4.50!

Alice In Wonderland will be showing twice daily at 11am and 2pm from Friday 2nd April to Thursday 8th April.

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From Walt Disney Pictures and visionary director Tim Burton comes an epic fantasy adventure Alice In Wonderland, a magical and imaginative twist on some of the most beloved stories of all time. Johnny Depp stars as the Mad Hatter and Mia Wasikowska as 19-year-old Alice, who returns to the whimsical world she first encountered as a young girl, reuniting with her childhood friends: the White Rabbit, Tweedledee and Tweedledum, the Dormouse, the Caterpillar, the Cheshire Cat, and of course, the Mad Hatter.

The Electric Palace is also a host venue for From Page to Screen from Monday 2nd April to Thursday 8th April and will be showing an evening movie daily at 7.30pm. Monday 5th - Where The Wild Things Are (Cert PG), Tuesday 6th - The Boys Are Back (Cert 12), Wednesday 7th - A Single Man (12a), Thursday 8th - My Last Five Girlfriends (Cert 12a). Tickets are £7 for adults and £5 for under 25s and can be bought in advance from Bridport Arts Centre.

For the From Page to Screen film nights, the Palace is opening their kitchens to offer delicious pre-film meals from 6pm! Make a night of it and enjoy a wide choice of real burgers from a spicy Cajun burger to a homemade veggie burger and the best ever homemade chips. To reserve a table call 01308 428354.



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## View 2 TV

# Could politics delay The Apprentice?

RUMOURS that the next series of The Apprentice is to be delayed until next year have been denied by the BBC.

Tabloid reports suggested that the TV show could be scrapped for 2010 if there is a hung parliament.

The BBC have already delayed the series, which usually begins in March, due to Lord Alan Sugar's position within the Labour Party. In order to maintain political impartiality the corporation decided to delay broadcasting until November.

But as polls predict that neither of the two major parties will win an outright majority in this year's general election, speculation is rife that the show will be rescheduled again.

A source told The Sun: "The Apprentice lasts for three months so it will prove very hard to find a slot for it this year if there is a hung Parliament."

A BBC spokesperson denied the claims, saying: "It's all speculation. We've filmed a series but scheduling decisions haven't been made. The date for the general election hasn't even been announced."

BLIND Date legend Cilla Black has revealed that she could be set to make a guest appearance in Coronation Street.

The TV presenter told how she has been approached by Coronation Street bosses in the past, but turned them down.

Cilla told the Daily Mirror: "They have asked me to join the show. It's not their first approach - they have asked me several times. I love Corrie, but I keep saying no."

"I couldn't cope with all the hours they do, they work them like dogs. It's really hard work."

"I'd love to do more acting. It would be nice to do a cameo, but even Ian McKellen worked long hours when he did it for a while. If the role was right, I would do a one-off thing."

But it doesn't look like Cilla's cameo is going to happen anytime soon.

A Corrie insider was quoted as saying: "No approach has been made for Cilla to appear in the show."

"Cilla's far too recognisable as Cilla Black. Corrie isn't a show that has people appearing as themselves."

ENGLAND'S World Cup games were split by TV bosses yesterday after weeks of negotiation.

ITV1 will screen England's first two group games, the first against the USA on Saturday, June 12th at 7.30pm, and the second against Algeria on Friday, June 18th at 7.30pm.

England's final group game against Slovenia will air on Wednesday, June 23rd at 3pm on BBC1. The BBC will also broadcast the team's first two knock-out matches, should they progress that far. If England reach the semi-final, the match will be simulcast live by both broadcasters.

The final on Sunday, July 11th in Johannesburg will also be screened on both BBC1 and ITV1, regardless of which teams make it that far.

ITV controller of sport Niall Sloane said: "We're delighted that ITV will kick off coverage of this summer's World Cup and that England's two opening games will be shown live on ITV1 in peak time."

"There is no bigger event on UK television or online than the World Cup and ITV will be at the heart of the action from the first kick through to the final whistle."

BBC head of TV sport Philip Bernie added: "The BBC are very happy with how the TV split of matches for the World Cup has been resolved."

"The BBC has some of the most appetising of the group fixtures, and will be showing live every England match from their final group game onwards, so we hope to be with them for a long and successful campaign."

"The BBC will aim again to capture the very best of the biggest event of the year across all its outlets." Both channels will also stream the games they are showing live online.

by Philip Evans



IN DEMAND | Coverage of Rooney and co will be split

## BBC Young Folk Star To Play Turkish Folk Fusion



IN 2008 Dogan Mehmet's Anglo-Turkish music was recognised for its beauty and rareness when he was selected as a finalist for the BBC Radio 2 Young Folk Award. Since this early success, he has formed an outstanding backing band 'The Deerhunters' and is enjoying growing success a new British folk star, which has seen him sharing the stage with English folk greats Eliza and Martin Carthy.

Born and bred in Brighton, Mehmet is a second generation Turkish Cypriot, with both sides of his family from the island. His heritage forms a big part of his musical identity, alongside his love for the rich cultural heritage of English traditional music.

Dogan plays violin, guitar, melodeon, tenor guitar as well as many Turkish instruments in a wide cross-section of styles from jazz to soul. With his band The Deerhunters he mixes traditions to create an Anglo-Turkish fusion of gypsy-jazz and folk.

After a very successful first UK tour, Dogan has recently finished working on his debut album 'Gypsyhead', a captivating and energetic mixture of self-penned material and driven tunes from the English Morris and Turkish and Greek Cypriot traditions, giving the Deerhunters a real, diverse sound that screams 'World Fusion'.

MOJO reviewed the album "Whether in full Turkish mode, re-jigging English trad, or concocting his own patent mixture of the two, it's a remarkable debut \*\*\*"

Dogan Mehmet and the Deerhunters are playing live at the Electric Palace on Wednesday 14th April with tickets on sale now for £6.50 in advance and £8 on the door. For tickets call Bridport Tourist Centre on 01308 424901.

## THEY'RE SHOWSTOPPERS!

Bridport Musical Theatre return with new show

THE stars of sell out shows "The Boyfriend" and "Anything Goes" return to the stage next month with "Showstoppers" - a showcase of everything great in musical theatre.

The Bridport Musical Theatre Company have been rehearsing relentlessly all winter to develop an evening of song and dance from some of film, Broadway and the West End's greatest and most loved shows.

The show features many of the cast who have worked on previous shows as well as a new influx of young talent who have joined the group following its recent success.

Choreographer Rebecca Mather has stepped up to take artistic control of proceedings working alongside Director Dave Swaffield and Musical Director Murray Davis.

Also joining the team this year is Vocal coach Trish Symon who has previously worked with the Royal Opera House in London's Covent Garden.

The show features something for all ages with powerful songs from West Side Story, T and Les Miserables. Expertly choreographed dance numbers including tap, salsa and jive routines.

And some fun songs guaranteed to leave audiences with a smile on their faces from shows including Mama Mia, Blues Brothers and Dirty Dancing.

The show is the perfect introduction to the group who hope to build on their rapidly growing reputation before hitting the stage at the end of summer with their next full production.

The next show planned for the end of August is "42nd Street", auditions are planned for the end of April.

"Showstoppers" runs from Thursday, April 15th until Saturday, April 17th with evening performances at 7:30pm. Tickets are £8 for adults, £6 for under 16s and are available from the Bridport Arts Centre box office on 01308 424204.



Bridport Musical Theatre Company in last years production "Anything Goes"

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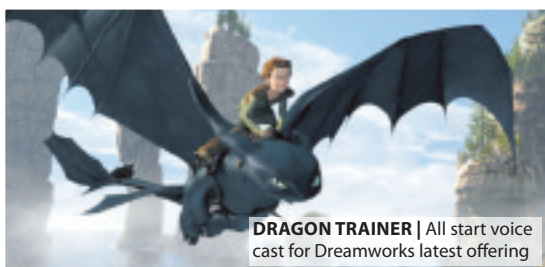
# Titans clash in 3D remake

FROM the creators of "Shrek", "Madagascar" and "Kung Fu Panda" comes new children's action comedy "How To Train Your Dragon" (PG).

The 3D Dreamworks Animation is based on the 2003 book of the same name by Cressida Cowell.

In a mythical world of Vikings and dragons, teenager Hiccup doesn't fit in with his traditional tribe. With hopes of becoming a top dragon slayer like his dad, Stoick the Vast, voiced by Gerard Butler, Hiccup captures his first beast. Soon realising the dragon isn't vicious at all, he decides to befriend it instead of kill it and opens up a whole new way of life for his tribe.

Other voice talents include America Ferrera ("Ugly Betty"), David Tennant ("Dr Who") and Jonah Hill ("Knocked Up").



**DRAGON TRAINER** | All start voice cast for Dreamworks latest offering

BASED on the comic book by Mark Miller, superhero comedy "Kick-Ass" (15) has received very positive early reviews.

The film follows teenager Dave Lizewski, who decides to become a modern day superhero called "Kick-Ass". After successfully stopping a gang fight in his costume, "Kick-Ass" becomes an overnight, internet phenomenon.

He soon meets fellow superheroes "Red Mist", "Hit-Girl" and her father, known as "Big Daddy" (Nicolas Cage), and gets himself into a much more serious situation than intended...

AMERICAN romantic drama "Remember Me" (12A) stars Robert Pattinson of "Twilight" fame, Emilie De Ravin ("Roswell", "Lost") and Pierce Brosnan ("James Bond").

Set in New York City in the summer of 2001, "Remember Me" follows two young lovers – rebellious Tyler (Pattinson), who has a strained relationship with his father (Brosnan) since his parents divorced after his brother's suicide; and Ally (De Ravin), who lives everyday to the fullest since the murder of her mother.

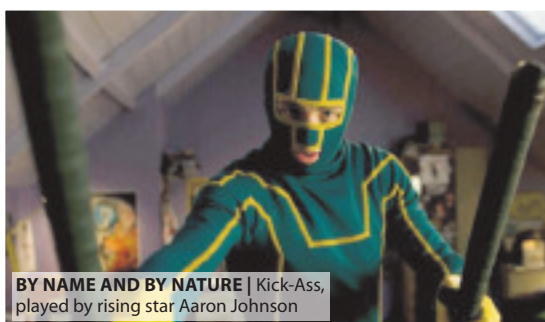
Released Friday, April 2nd

THIS week also sees the release of a remake of the 1981 film "Clash of the Titans" (12A).

The fantasy film is loosely based on the Greek myth of Perseus and stars Sam Worthington ("Avatar").

Having been originally set for release on March 26th, the film was adapted to 3D and will now be released on Friday, April 2nd.

by Francesca Evans



**BY NAME AND BY NATURE** | Kick-Ass, played by rising star Aaron Johnson

## CINEMA LISTINGS

### Lyme Regis Regent

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Friday, Apr 2nd - Thursday, Apr 8th

**Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang (U)**

Daily: 14.25, 17.25, (20.00)

( ) = Subtitled Thursday

**Silver Screen Julie & Julia (12A)**

Thursday: 10.30am. Tickets £3.25

### Dorchester Plaza

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Friday, Apr 2nd - Thursday, Apr 8th

**How to train your dragon**

(in 3d) (PG)

Daily: 12.30, 15.05, 17.40, 20.10

**Nanny McPhee and the Big Bang (U)**

Daily: 12.00, 14.35, 17.10, 19.45

### Weymouth Cineworld

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Friday, Apr 2nd - Thursday, Apr 8th

**Alice in Wonderland 3D**

(PG)

Daily: 14.00, 16.30

**Nanny McPhee & The Big Bang (U)**

Daily: 11.10, 12.50, 13.40,

15.20, 16.10, 17.50, 18.50

**Shutter Island (15)**

Daily: 21.15

**The Blind Side (12A)**

Fri-Tue: 14.30, 17.20, 20.10

Wed & Thu: 17.20, 20.10

**The Bounty Hunter (12A)**

Daily: 12.00

**How to train your dragon**

3D (PG)

Daily: 10.50, 11.40, 13.30,

15.50, 18.10, 20.45

**How to train your dragon**

2D (PG)

Daily: 10.30, 12.50, 15.10

**Kick-Ass (15)**

Daily: 11.00, 13.40, 16.15,

17.40, 18.40, 20.20, 21.20

**Clash of the Titans 3D**

(TBC)

Daily: 10.45, 13.15, 15.45,

18.15, 19.00, 20.30, 21.30

**Remember Me (12A)**

Daily: 11.00, 13.30, 16.00,

18.30, 21.00

Excl: Sat 11.00

**The Girl with the Dragon**

**Tattoo (18)**

Daily: 20.15

**Aliens in the Attic (PG)**

Sat: 10.00

**Planet 51 (PG)**

Sat: 10.10

**Race to Witch Mountain**

(PG) Sat: 10.20

**Whip It! (12A)**

Wed & Thu: 14.40

**ALL LISTINGS ARE SUBJECT**

**TO LATE CHANGES**

## Film festival launches in Bridport this weekend

THE first "From Page To Screen" film festival will launch in Bridport this weekend with a rare chance to see the critically acclaimed "A Clockwork Orange" on the big screen.

This will mark the start of week film screening and talks culminating in a showing of the Oscar winning film "An Education" with a talk from the author Lynn Barber.

The festival runs throughout the Easter break from Saturday, April 3rd until Friday, April 9th and offers something for film lovers of all ages at the Electric Palace and the Bridport Arts Centre.

Highlights of the week will be a fancy dress Monster Mash party at the showing of "Where the Wild Things Are" and a screening of "Paranoid Park" a film from supporters of Bridport's Trick Factory.

Star appearances and talks include Julian Kemp on My Last Five Girlfriends and Alan Cubitt on The Boys are Back. Top regional speakers include TV producer Daisy Allsop, new Dorset novelist Natasha Solomons and her husband, screenwriter David Solomons. On the opening night "A Clockwork Orange" will be introduced by Dr Ian Hunter, Director of the International Centre for Adaptations at DeMonfort University and

author of a forthcoming book on Stanley Kubrick.

Festival spokesman Steven Horner said: "We've really challenged ourselves this year with a full and rich programme, including plenty of films for younger people. We're particularly pleased to have so many expert speakers, several of whom are from the south-west who can put the films in context, give us their insights into the production process and share their views on the art of successful book adaptation."

For more information and to book, call 01308 424204 or book in person at the Bridport Arts Centre Box Office. The full festival programme is available to download at [www.frompagetoscreen.org.uk](http://www.frompagetoscreen.org.uk).



### From Page To Screen 2010 – full listings guide

**Saturday, April 3rd**

**7.30pm** - Bridport Arts Centre

A Clockwork Orange with academic Ian Hunter

**Monday, April 5th**

**2pm** - Bridport Arts Centre

Paranoid Park with civil liberties activist Clive Stafford Smith and skaters from Bridport's The Trick Factory

**7pm** - The Electric Palace

Where the Wild Things Are, featuring all ages monster fancy dress Monster Mash party

**Tuesday, April 6th**

**10.30am** - Bridport Arts Centre

The Queen of Spades

**2pm** - Bridport Arts Centre

Bright Star

**5pm** - Bridport Arts Centre - FREE

Sui Annuka: Visualising the novel

**7.30pm** - The Electric Palace

The Boys Are Back with screenwriter Allan Cubitt

**Wednesday, April 7th**

**10.30am** - Bridport Arts Centre

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**2pm** - Bridport Arts Centre

Five Children and It with screenwriter David Solomons

**5pm** - Bridport Arts Centre - FREE

Natasha & David Solomons: Writing & adapting 'Mr Rosenblum's List'

**7.30pm** - The Electric Palace

A Single Man with writer & diarist Katherine Bucknell

**Thursday, April 8th**

**10.30am** - Bridport Arts Centre

The Lady Vanishes

**2pm** - Bridport Arts Centre

The Damned United

**5pm** - Bridport Arts Centre - FREE

James Newman & Iain Simons: James Bond, videogame hero

**7.30pm** - The Electric Palace

My Last Five Girlfriends with screenwriter and director Julian Kemp

**Friday, April 9th**

**10.30am** - Bridport Arts Centre

A Room with a View with writer Horatio

Morpurgo

**2pm** - Bridport Arts Centre

The Informant! with investigative journalist

Paul Lashmar

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Daisy Allsop: Transforming a book into film

**7.30pm** - Bridport Arts Centre

An Education with author Lynn Barber

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Despite the announcement of a 10 per cent tax increase on cider during the budget last week The Stable has decided to take the hit and keep its prices the same.

The announcement of the tax caused uproar across Dorset and a "Leave our cider alone" Facebook campaign group has already attracted 50,000 supporters. A separate campaign is backing The Wurzels hit "I'm a cider drinker" to the top of the charts.

The Stable is the only cider house in Bridport and is making its own stand by offering a price freeze on its range of 46 draft and bottled ciders.

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**CIDER DRINKER**  
Owner Richard Cooper is taking the hit for his punters

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# Diary Dates

## THURSDAY APRIL 1<sup>ST</sup>

**SALWAY ASH:** Easter Bingo - £50 cash jackpot, with refreshments and raffle. Doors open 7pm, eyes down at 7.30pm. At Salway Ash Village Hall, telephone 01308 488170 for more details.

## SATURDAY APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup>

**BRIDPORT:** Coffee Morning with stalls at Bridport United Church Hall from 10am - noon. In aid of Action for children. Telephone 01308 423250.

## SATURDAY APRIL 3<sup>RD</sup> - TUESDAY MAY 4<sup>TH</sup>

**BEAMINSTER:** Glass: Collectors' Choices - an exhibition. Open Tuesdays, Thursdays, Saturdays & Bank Holidays 10.30am-12.30pm & 2.30-4.30pm

## SUNDAY APRIL 4<sup>TH</sup>

**WEYMOUTH:** Easter Parade at Green Hill Garden. 2 - 4.30pm. Telephone 01305 833469 for more details.

## MONDAY APRIL 5<sup>TH</sup>

**BURTON BRADSTOCK:** Easter Coffee Morning in aid of Julia House Hospice. 10.30am - 12.30pm at The Village Hall. Telephone 01308 897212 for more details

## FRIDAY APRIL 9<sup>TH</sup>

**LYME REGIS:** Friendly battle with Bridport Camera Club at Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm. Telephone 01297 444733 for more details. Organised by Lyme Bay Photographic Club.

## SATURDAY APRIL 10<sup>TH</sup>

**DORCHESTER:** The Dorset Art & Craft Show at the Corn Exchange from 10am - 4pm. Telephone 07730557090 for more details.

## SUNDAY APRIL 11<sup>TH</sup>

**BRIDPORT:** Wessex Military Band Spring Concert at Bridport Arts Centre from 6pm. Telephone 01308 425010 for tickets or more details.

**WEST BAY, NR BRIDPORT:** Open Morning at the Salt House from 9.30am - 12.30pm. Telephone 01308 425436 for more details.

**BRIDPORT:** The Lions recruitment coffee morning at The Salt House West Bay from 09.30 - 12.30. See the Julia's House charity stall and buy your ticket (£6.50) here for the Travelling Trends Fashion Show being held at the Masonic Hall, Bridport on Thursday, April 29th at 7.30. All proceeds from the fashion show going to Julia's House the Dorset Children's Hospice. Tel 01308 459854 for information.  
**BURSTOCK NR BROADWINDSOR:** A walk or sit in garden and lake. 2 course cooked lunch and drink £7.50. At Manor Lodge. Telephone 01308 868652 for more details.

## FRIDAY APRIL 16<sup>TH</sup>

**BROADMAYNE:** Market 2pm - 3.30pm, St Martin's Community Hall Broadmayne, (next to the Church) Raffle, craft, plants, books, Jigsaws Cards, local trout, sausages and eggs, cakes and preserves and a chance to sit and chat with a cup of tea or coffee. All proceeds for St Martin's Community Hall. For further information please contact Sylvia Dooley 01305 852886.

## SATURDAY APRIL 17<sup>TH</sup>

**TOLLER PORCUM:** "Spring Greens" - Foraging & Wild Food Course. 10.30am - 2pm. Contact info@hedgerow-harvest.com or visit www.hedgerow-harvest.com.

## FRIDAY APRIL 23<sup>RD</sup>

**LYME REGIS:** Judging of three slide competitions at Woodmead Halls from 7.30pm. Telephone 01297 444733 for more details. Organised by Lyme bay Photographic Club.

## SUNDAY APRIL 25<sup>TH</sup>

**TOLLER PORCUM:** "Spring Greens" - Foraging & Wild Food Course. 9.30am - 5.00pm. Contact info@hedgerow-harvest.com or visit www.hedgerow-harvest.com.

## SUNDAY MAY 30<sup>TH</sup>

**WEYMOUTH:** Teddy Bears Picnic - free. At Greenhill Gardens from 2pm - 4.30pm. Telephone 01305 833469 for more details.

## Chumbawumba Concert Audience Supports Folk Against Fascism

ON Thursday, March 18th the Bridport Arts Centre rang to the songs of Chumbawumba. A large banner, with Neil Ferguson of Chumbawumba holding a guitar with Folk Against Fascism writ large upon it, dominated the stage as the audience came in. The audience were delighted by the duets of O'Hooley and Tidow, their support, but really came to life when Chumbawumba came on stage.

The band's political stance in well known, they poured cold water on John Prescott at an awards ceremony, but their politics is more than posturing.

Jude Abbott, the feisty trumpet playing member of the band is actively involved in Folk Against Fascism, which was created to take a stand against the far right targeting of folk music. The British National Party's manifesto encourages its members to insinuate themselves into the folk and traditional customs of Britain, appropriating British folk music and culture as a means of spreading its peculiar brand of racism and intolerance.

The band sang a powerful song against facism and spoke of the Folk Against Facism movement. The theatre team decided to make a collection for the organisation at the end of the concert, and £75 was collected in buckets.

Billy Bragg, a firm believer in toleration and diversity, commented "I'm not surprised the people of Bridport put their hands in their pockets for Folk Against Facism, they are fair-minded people who will stand up for what is right."

The band showed their own support for the Bridport Arts centre own fundraising campaign and proudly showed their blue wrist bands to the camera.



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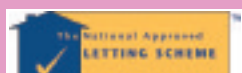


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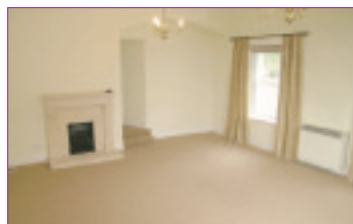


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**BRIDPORT - £285,000**



- Detached Four Bedroom Home
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- Study
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- En-Suite & family Bathroom



- Garden & Double Garage
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**UPLYME - £415,000**



- Detached 2-3 Bedroom Chalet Bungalow
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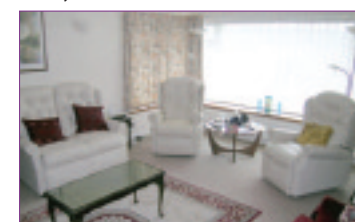
- Set in Large Secluded Plot of Approx. ¼ Acre or more Woodland Views
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**BRIDPORT - £395,000**



- Detached Home with Views
- 4-5 Bedrooms – Two En-Suites

- Lounge, Dining Room & Study
- Garage & Driveway Parking



- Large Garden with Summer House
- Tucked Away but Convenient Location

**BRIDPORT - £240,000**



- Victorian Double Fronted House
- Three Bedrooms, Bathroom



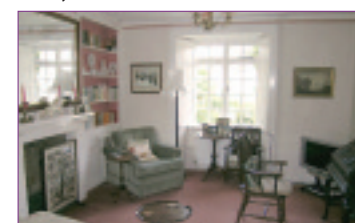
- Large Kitchen/ Dining Room
- Two Reception Rooms
- Approx. 190 Ft Rear Garden
- Full of Charm & Character

**WEST BAY - £320,000**



- Grade II Listed 3 Bed Semi
- Spacious Accommodation
- Two Reception Rooms

- Kitchen & Workshop/Studio
- Many Period Features
- Secluded Rear Garden

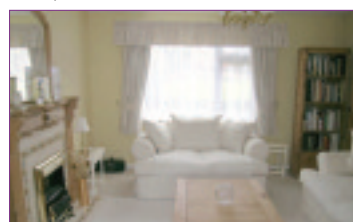


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**BRIDPORT - £198,000**



- Three Bedroom Semi Detached
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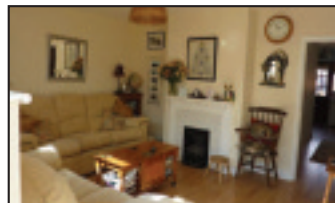
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## LYME REGIS - £295,000



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## LYME REGIS - £195,000



- NO stamp duty for First Time Buyer
- Two bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Lounge
- Rear garden
- Kitchen/ breakfast room
- Parking
- Double glazing
- Gas central heating
- Sea views
- Two parking spaces

## LYME REGIS - £395,995



This luxury two bedroom apartment set on the third floor of a converted former rectory is well located for access to Lyme Regis and The Cobb offering fine views along the Jurassic coast and has a double garage, no onward chain.

## RAYMONDS HILL - £395,000



- Individual detached property
- Recently extended
- Spacious & flexible accommodation
- Surrounded by large & level gardens
- Living room with multi fuel stove
- Study & conservatory
- Two downstairs bedrooms (1 en-suite)
- Three first floor bedrooms
- Two bathrooms
- Detached single garage
- Ample driveway parking
- Walking distance to local amenities

## LYME REGIS - £345,000



- Entrance Hall
- Sitting Room
- Conservatory
- Kitchen/Dining Room
- Utility/Rear Lobby
- Three Ground Floor Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Further Bedroom And En-Suite Cloakroom
- Driveway • Garage
- Gardens
- Swimming Pool

## ROUSDON - £685,000



- Reception hall
- Drawing room
- Dining room
- Kitchen/breakfast room
- Utility room
- Study
- Cloakroom
- Four double bedrooms
- Two en-suites
- Family bathroom
- Double glazed windows
- Gardens
- Double garage
- Parking

## CHARDSTOCK - £495,000



- Village location
- Individual detached bungalow
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- Detached garage with planning permission
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- Dining room
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- Three bedroom master en suite
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## CHARMOUTH - £160,000



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- Panoramic Countryside Views

## CHARMOUTH - £163,000



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- accessible from landing)
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- Fishing lakes
- Set in 36 acres

## CATHERSTON LEWESTON - £285,000



A three-bedroom, freehold house forming part of the western wing of an impressive Grade II Listed Manor

- Entrance Porch
- Sitting/Dining Room
- Kitchen
- Cloakroom
- Three Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Period Features throughout
- Garage
- Communal Grounds
- PANORAMIC Coastal Views

## CHARMOUTH - £319,000



Character quirky period terraced bungalow with panoramic sea views

- Entrance Porch
- Kitchen
- Dining Hall
- Lounge
- Sun Room
- Two Bedrooms
- Bathroom
- Shower Room
- Courtyard Gardens
- Detached Garage
- PANORAMIC COASTAL views

## CHARMOUTH - £179,000



Beautifully presented two bedroom, first floor apartment, close to Charmouth Beach and Village Centre

- Entrance Porch • Hallway
- Modern Kitchen
- Lounge
- Two Bedrooms
- Newly re-fitted Bathroom
- New carpets
- Allocated Parking
- Close to Sea
- Easy walk to Shops

## CHARMOUTH - £359,500



A well proportioned 3 bed period property near the centre of the village with garage and gardens

- Entrance Hall
- Lounge
- Kitchen/Diner
- Master Bedroom with Ensuite Shower Room
- Two Further Bedrooms
- Family Bathroom
- Rear Southerly Garden
- Garage and Parking

## CHARMOUTH - £349,500



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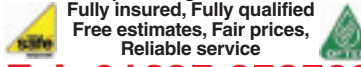
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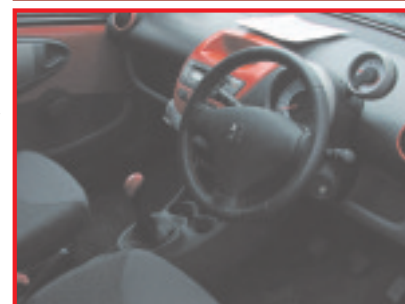
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Commenting on the forthcoming additions to the Avis rental fleet, Nick Mountfield, Head of Marketing Avis UK explained: 'As a nation we are becoming increasingly conscious of the environment, car emissions and fuel economy, and we are finding that

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Mountfield continued: 'Due to the initial demand of Eco Collection and customer demand for the current Golf model, we

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## JACK VENN CUP Semi-finals

A 119th minute goal from striker Danny Larcombe has given Millway Rise the chance of landing their fourth Jack Venn Cup in eight years, the Devonians scraped past Shepton Beauchamp 2-1 at Brimgrove Lane. Rise took a 12th minute lead through Adam Whitehouse but Sam Hawkins leveled two minutes later and from there the teams couldn't be split until Larcombe's late winner.

Millway will face South Petherton Reserves in the Final at Combe's Slades Cross on May 3rd.

Pethy had an easier ride in their semi beating Forton Rangers Reserves 5-2. The result was effectively sealed at half-time with the hosts 4-1 ahead and cruising. Mark Padfield (2), Adrian Farrell, Andy Moody and Dean Smith were on target for the winners with Stuart Packer and Lee Goodland replying.

## DAISY HUTCHINGS CUP Round Two

BEAMINSTER Reserves booked a date with first Division Forton Rangers in the last 16 as they deservedly beat Crewkerne Town Reserves 2-0 at Hen-hayes.

The Tigers started well and had two or three good chances before Beaminster showed the gap between Division's Three and Two as the took control in the second period. Josh Hunter broke the deadlock 10 minutes after half-time from the penalty spot after he himself had been hauled down by the hosts' goalkeeper. Hunter added a second soon after and the Rainbows path through the next round was secured. Top performers for Beaminster were the central midfield pairing of Richie Middleton and Tom Cowie.

## PREMIER

LYME Regis took another step towards the Premier Division title but were far from convincing in their 1-0 win at Combe Reserves. Indeed the step was more of a stumble with the hosts nullifying the Seaside's high-flying line-up.

The all important winner came in the 82nd minute when skipper Adam Caddy lashed the ball home to the delight of the Lyme travelling supporters.

Both teams felt they had legitimate goals ruled out for offside prior to Caddy's strike but the game itself was a damp squib with few clear-cut chances.

Too many of the Lyme players ap-

peared to have one eye on Friday's Challenge Cup Final when they take on Ilminster Reserves at Forton.

Ilminster will go into the game full of confidence as they extended their unbeaten run to nine games with a 3-0 win at Perry Street.

It was goalless at the break but strikes from Scott Jennings, Simon Manley and Mark Smith left Street still awaiting their first home win of the year despite the best efforts of star man Ben Stevens.

Second-half goals from Jack Platt and Joe Carbin against their old team gave Misterton their first win in 2010. The result gave Missy a league double over opponents Merriott Rovers and a leap of one place to ninth in the table.

The West-Dorset relegation tussle ended honours even as White Horse were held to a 1-1 draw by Chardmouth at Symondsbury.

A Dan Rendall goal gave Chardmouth a slender lead at the interval but this was cancelled out by Russell Weller in a match described by Horse assistant manager Nick Pomeroy as "dire".

There's a big night in store for South Petherton this evening (Tuesday). Karl Dimet's side will take on Chew Valley Seniors in the Somerset Junior Cup Final at Shepton Mallet.

Pethy will be looking to lift the trophy for the third time in their history - the previous two triumphs coming way back in 1958-59 and 1960-61.

Premier Division	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Lyme Regis	12	11	0	1	33	11	33
Beaminster	13	9	1	3	50	17	28
South Petherton	10	9	0	1	54	7	27
Ilminster Reserves	15	8	3	4	49	24	27
Barrington	15	7	3	5	29	36	24
Merriott Rovers	13	7	0	6	29	34	21
Perry Street	17	6	3	8	30	48	21
Combe Reserves	17	6	2	9	30	34	20
Misterton	16	5	4	7	26	32	19
Crewkerne	17	5	3	9	37	45	18
White Horse	14	2	3	9	22	38	9
Chardmouth	17	0	4	13	22	85	4

## DIVISION ONE

ILMINSTER Colts mini-slump continued as they went down to a 4-1 defeat at Winsham United.

The sides were all square at the break at 1-1 with Man-of-the-Match Henry Broome scoring for the hosts and Andy Fish replying.

But a solid second-half showing saw the Wins improve their promotion hopes and canter home with goals from Ollie Barrett, Tom Symes and Ryan Partridge.

Farway United's hopes of an imme-

diate return to the top division were dealt blow as they were held to a 1-1 draw by relegation haunted Thorncombe. A neat Stuart Bicknell lob mid-way through the second-half gave the Thorns some hope of their first win of the year but this was snuffed out five minutes later by James Salter.

Two of the other promotion candidates clashed at Forton. Visiting Netherbury came out on top in a bad tempered affair with a 4-2 win. An Alex Thompson goal gave the hosts a lead at halfway but efforts from Mark Cuff, Adam Sorrell and Phil Hussey swung the game the Ambers' way. Tom Robinson reduced the arrears but Hussey bagged a second to lift his team up to third in the table.

West & Middle Chinnock's promotion hopes have been dealt a blow after they fielded an ineligible player, Ryan Murray, against Netherbury.

The PSL officials will deduct three points from the Chinnocks' as a result.

Division One	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
W & M Chinnock	11	8	2	1	44	23	26
Farway United	12	6	4	2	30	15	22
Netherbury	12	6	3	3	32	21	21
Winsham United	11	6	2	3	28	20	20
Forton Rangers	11	6	2	3	20	15	20
Ilminster Colts	9	5	3	1	20	15	18
Chard Rangers	13	3	1	9	21	52	10
Thorncombe	12	2	2	8	22	27	8
Pymore	8	2	2	4	12	20	8
Perry Street Res	11	2	2	7	25	34	8
Lyme Regis Res	10	2	1	7	23	35	7

## DIVISION TWO

THERE was an astonishing result at Venlake where Uplyme and Hinton met for the second time in a week. The previous meeting had seen Hinton stroll to a 5-0 win, but the boot was very much on the other foot as Uplyme racked up their biggest win since Haselbury were crushed 13-1 five and half years ago.

There was no hint of the final 10-1 score line as the teams were tied 1-1 at the break, but as soon as the Swallows got their noses in front Saints' heads visibly dropped and the goals flowed.

Player-chairman Gavin Fowler helped himself to four, there was a hat-trick for Alex Cottle, two for Nathan Turner and a penalty neatly converted by Pip Marchant.

It was certainly a day for lots of Division Two goals. Struggling Drimpton woes continued.

Visiting Dowlish & Donyatt's 8-0 win means the Greens have now leaked 26 goals in three matches. Chris Lang (3),

Chris Rawle (2), Matt Vinall, Darren Dabinett and Andy North were on target as the visitors extended their winning run to three matches.

Division Two	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Millway Rise	13	12	1	0	46	15	37
Norton Athletic	13	9	1	3	52	25	28
Dowlish & Donyatt	15	8	1	6	55	40	25
Hinton	15	6	3	6	40	35	21
Beaminster Res	12	6	2	4	31	27	20
Shepton Beau	11	5	2	4	33	17	17
Uplyme	14	5	2	7	31	37	17
South Peth Res	13	3	6	4	32	29	15
Forton Res	12	4	3	5	20	23	15
Drimpton	15	2	1	12	27	76	7
Chard United	13	2	0	11	18	61	6

## DIVISION THREE

LEAGUE leaders Hawkchurch ended their recent poor run and moved 12 points clear with a routine 3-0 over Combe A. Dan Turner and Chris Pratt gave the Hawks a 2-0 lead at the break and Tim Hussey added a third after the restart.

There was a real ding-dong battle at Forton where Luso-Chard led 3-1 before being pegged back to a 4-4 draw by in-form Lyme Regis Bantams.

Rhys Paterson gave the Seaside's an early lead but some sloppy defending resulted in the Portuguese side pouncing three times before the interval. Mark Taylor got on the end of a Ben Morgan cross to reduce the arrears before Jamie Jones converted a one-on-one chance to level.

Lyme then lost keeper Jim Larcombe with a knee injury, Harvey Brimacombe, who had a fine game at right-back, donned the gloves and was soon picking the ball out of the net as Luso regained the lead.

But the young Lyme side was not to be denied their share of the spoils and Ben Strong tapped home an equaliser with the last kick of the game. Jose Bynto (2), Marco Quedas and Cleo Franca scored for the hosts.

Division Three	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Hawkchurch	16	11	3	2	54	31	36
Fivehead United	14	7	3	4	26	24	24
CrewkRangers	11	7	1	3	44	21	22
Misterton Res*	15	7	2	6	39	41	22
Lyme Bantams*	13	7	1	5	40	29	19
Luso-Chard	12	6	1	5	44	34	19
Millway Rise Res	14	6	0	8	28	33	18
Crewkerne Res	9	5	1	3	24	17	16
Combe A	13	4	2	7	22	26	14
Shepton Beau Res	15	4	1	10	30	44	13
Chard Rang Res	16	2	1	13	20	71	7

\* = points deducted

## DIVISION FOUR



POINT EARNER: Dan Rendall's strike secured Chardmouth a point in the derby game at White Horse



ON TARGET: Mark Taylor scored for Lyme Bantams in 4-4 draw at Luso-Chard.



RARE GOAL: Pip Marchant joined in the goal-fest as Uplyme crushed Hinton 10-1.

LOWLY Chardmouth completed their home fixtures with a superb point after a 2-2 draw with table-topping Winsham United Reserves.

After a goal less first 45 Wins appeared to be cruising to victory as the led 2-0 on the hour through Paul Stuart and Richard White.

But an own goal from visiting keeper Paul Spurdle and an 80th minute strike from Dan Boot earned the Robins a fine draw. Chardmouth manager Toby Gordon praised the efforts of Simon Knight who was standing in for regular keeper Adam Dredge.

Hawkchurch Reserves climbed off the foot of the League with a 2-1 win in the derby with Thorncombe Reserves.

Man-of-the-Match Dan Morley pounced after Greg Harding's effort had come back off the bar to give the Hawks a 1-0 half-time advantage.

Paul Male pulled the Thorns back level but a free-kick from Joe Carter ensured all three points went to the Devonians.

A Gary Mansfield own goal saw Combe B in front at the interval at Waytown Hounds. But a Tom Rutland strike gave the West Dorset side a share of the points. Top performer for the Hounds was Jason Carter.

Division Four	P	W	D	L	F	A	Pts
Winsham Utd Res	17	9	5	3	63	48	32
Ilminster Town A	13	8	2	3	41	30	26
Waytown Hounds	15	8	1	6	52	34	25
Hinton Res	17	7	4	6	35	44	25
Farway United Res	13	7	3	3	45	24	24
Chard United Res	12	7	2	3	38	25	23
Barrington Res	14	7	2	5	44	35	23
Combe B	19	7	2	10	59	52	23
Thorncombe Res	16	4	4	8	34	44	13
Hawkchurch Res	17	3	3	11	31	52	12
Chardmouth Res	17	3	2	12	19	73	10

## RESULTS

Saturday, March 27th

## Jack Venn Cup Semi-finals

Shepton Beau 1 Millway Rise 2 aet  
South Reserves 5 Forton Reserves 2

## Daisy Hutchings Cup Round 2

Crewkerne Res 0 Beaminster Res 2

## Premier Division

Combe Reserves 0 Lyme Regis 1  
Misterton 2 Merriott Rovers 0  
Perry Street 0 Ilminster Reserves 3  
White Horse 1 Chardmouth 1

## Division One

Forton Rangers 2 Netherbury 4  
Thorncombe 1 Farway United 1  
Winsham United 4 Ilminster Colts 1

## Division Two

## Lyme Regis Golf Club

## Colley and Garner scrape victory on countback

SUNDAY, March 28th was forecast to be another rainy day in Lyme Regis. However, the weather stayed good enough to allow the participants in the March Winter League "four ball better ball event" to complete their rounds in dry conditions writes Steve Percival.

Although the weather was dry the recent wet weather made anywhere off the fairway difficult to put it mildly and also some of the greens proved a little tricky. In consequence the recorded scores were a little on the modest side.

In first place with 41 points were Mark Colley, playing off 13, and Brett Garner playing off 14. In all they tallied three birdies between them and recorded seven pars on the "back nine" alone. Had it not been for some crucial missed putts on the first nine holes they could well have recorded an more impressive score and included a couple of birdie "twos" within that.

Beaten into second place on countback were David Jones (20) and Kieran Borgeat (11). David scored what his playing partner describes as a "fantastic two" on the par three eleventh by hitting a low running tee shot to within five feet of the pin and holing out in convincing fashion. Third place was taken by Adam White (11) and William Whitelaw (14) with 40 points.

## Mixed Team defeated by fog

FOLLOWING the completion of the majority of the earlier winter league rounds the Lyme mixed team took to the course against their Came Down counterparts.

Although all groups successfully completed their respective first nine holes, with only three or four of the second nine played the Lyme Regis fog descended and forced the abandonment of the match.

A great disappointment to all as, with the exception of the Lyme pair of Jane Southcombe and John Colley who were up '8 and six", the match was finely poised at the end of play.

## KNIGHTMARE FOR UPLYME

Under 15 JG Memorial Cup  
Semi Final  
BEACON KNIGHTS 7  
UPLYME YOUTH 2

UPLYME kicked off on a sticky pitch but were quickly forced back into their own half where Beacon Knights took up residence for the first ten minutes before opening the scoring in the 12th minute, when a very well executed corner was headed home.

In the next five minutes they produced two more well executed corners; the second resulting in another headed goal. Ten minutes later a shot was lifted over Uplyme's keeper Brett James outstretched hands and a third goal resulted.

Shortly after restart Uplyme were awarded a free-kick but Jones' shot hit cannoned back off the crossbar. Uplyme's defence kept up their hard work; notably George Heath, but

shortly before half-time Knights got their fourth goal.

In the second-half Uplyme were a different team and play in the first ten minutes was spent in the Beacon Knight's half. Markedly the Uplyme mid-field passed the ball forward well and in the seventh minute Will Ridout found Knight who fought hard and slotted the ball in the net.

In the 27th minute Uplyme were rewarded by a second goal thanks a robust run forward by Jones and a pass to Jack Heath who slotted the ball into the net.

Subsequently the hosts made substitutions and these paid off only with goals five and six arriving soon after.

Just before the final whistle Beacon Knights scored again to make the final score 7-2.

Uplyme's Man of the Match was Matt Pile.

## FIVE STAR PERFORMANCES

CHARD & District Swimming Club competed at the Somerset Age Group & Championships 2010 over the final weekend of 13-14 March 2010 and what another successful weekend it was writes Steph Hallam.

A number of Swimmers secured more South West Region Qualifying times (SWRQT) and South West Region Consideration times (SWRCT) with many Club Records and Personal Bests being achieved yet again.

A number of local club swimmers were awarded with Top eight 'BAGCAT Trophies' (British Age Group Category)

Jake Hallam, 14, 4th. Jamie Pullinger, 11, 5th. Luke van den Barselaar, 14, 5th. Oliver Bilbie, 11, 6th and Lauren Harrison, 12, 7th.

Congratulations must go to all 5 for their determination and commitment throughout the Championships. Beckie Rutherford, 15, put in a strong performance in the 50m Backstroke with a SWRQT of 33.78.

Jake Hallam picked up 2 Bronze medals coming 3rd in the 200m Individual Medley with a new 14 years and under club record and SWRQT of 2:25.58, and in the 50m Butterfly with a time of 29:47.

Jamie Pullinger, 11, added to his collection of SWRQT's with another in the 200m Individual Medley with a time of 2:57.70.

Oliver Bilbie, 11, also picked up a Silver medal in the 50m Backstroke.



## Countdown to the 2010 season

**Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy**  
FOLLOWING the UK's coldest weather for 30 years it's not only the temperatures that are starting to warm up.

Windsurfers nationwide are itching to get back racing and blow away the cobwebs, whether it's raceboard, Formula, RS-X, Techno or slalom, the 2010 calendar will provide plenty of action in all disciplines, and the Weymouth & Portland National Sailing Academy (WPNSA) will be hosting several events during the year.

Slalom, the most accessible form of competition, sees an exciting new race series for 2010 with the leading UK brands and retailers working together to bring eight events to some superb locations, with round two being held at the WPNSA on April 24th and 25th.

A week later over May Bank Holiday weekend (May 1st – 3rd) they host the first of the national course racing Cup Series.

The autumn sees three more events with the UKWA British Open on October 2nd and 3rd followed by Speed Week (Oct 16th – 22nd).

The final event of the season at the WPNSA will take place on October 24th and 25th with the last round of the slalom series as well as the Racing Team Championships and the Prize Giving Party involving all classes of the sport.

## MOSELEY TAKES THE REINS

**Weymouth and District Table Tennis League**

WITH Colin Davis recovering from surgery and Richard Hill indisposed, John Moseley has been given the task of negotiating the remaining Shipton Gorge B games successfully to take them to their first honours.

The task begins with an away match against Budmouth B on Friday (2nd) followed by a home match against Preston next Tuesday (April 6th).

**Shipton Gorge A 21 P&S Falcons Dorchester 13**

THE absence of Gil Roberts made this match against mid table Falcons tighter than it might have been.

Although stand-in Eddy Buck took six sets to the wire he only came out on top in one of them and it was down to Richard Trim with a maximum nine points and Chris Glover with eight to edge Shipton in front and then round off the night with a convincing doubles win.

Shipton remain well placed at the top of the table.

## Great start for rally team

LOCAL rally team Rex Ireland and Adrian Scadding got off to a great start in the first stage of the British Rally Championships last Saturday.

Competing in their Mk1 Ford Escort complete with a brand new Ford Crossflow 1600cc engine they finished third in their class (C2) and a very respectable 15th overall in the Bulldog Historic Rally.

The event comprised of six stages in the forests of mid-Wales and despite a couple of problems which slowed them down, they did extremely well to finish just 1:42.0 minutes down on the winners Stephen Whitford and Simon Morrow in their Hillman Avenger.

Third after the first stage they encountered no problems until the fourth leg, Gaertheiniog, when they lost half of their throttle with two miles to go which lost them time.

However throttle fixed they continued to hold third place until four miles from the end of the final leg Dyfnant when the water pump broke which dropped them to fourth place.

Adrian said: "This caused the engine to overheat so we had to nurse it home to get a time which cost us around 1 ½ minutes.

"We are delighted to finish so high. We expected teething problems being a new engine but it went much better than we could have expected."

Rex currently stands third in the registered driver's championship, and Adrian second in the navigator's table.

The next round is at Carlisle racecourse on April 23rd /24th.

## BRIDPORT SKITTLES

Cup fixtures for week beginning Monday, April 5th:

**Ladies Palmer Cup – Semi-final**  
Tuesday April 6th: Lord Nelson – Alleycats v Brandy Snaps  
Ilchester – Ginger-Gales v Bad Girls.

**Mens Nomination Cup – Semi-final**  
Tuesday April 6th – West Dorset Club: Dingbats v Slingers  
Wednesday April 7th – Tiger: Wanderers v Shipfaced OR Nelson Nobblers

**Ladies Nomination Cup – Final**  
Wednesday April 7th – Woodman: Ginger Gales v Cuckoos  
**Mens Gerry Nichol Cup – Semi-final**

Thursday April 8th: Clock – Rockets v U Know The Bokes, Bradpole Club – Rejects v Cupid Stunts.

**Mens Altham Cup – Semi-final**  
Thursday April 8th: Bridport Football Club – The Dingles v Bulldogs, Lodgers – Pioneers v Pinseekers

**Portman Handicap – 4th Round**

Friday April 9th: Crazy Gang v Seconds Out (12), Alcoholics (17) v The Dingles, ATAR (19) v Denhay Farm, U Know The Bokes v Ginger Gales (40).

## BOB BUCKLER RACING HEAVY GROUND MEANS QUIET WEEK

HEAVY ground put paid to many of Bob Buckler's proposed runners both last week and this.

At least six were withdrawn from racing at Exeter and Hereford two of the tracks where the stable had entries.

Sean Thornton gave himself every chance in the Lindley Catering Handicap Hurdle over 2 ½ miles at Hereford on Wednesday, but tired on the run in to finish fifth.

Always up with the leaders he moved into second approaching the last hurdle but wasn't strong enough to hold on.

Head lad Giles Scott said: "He showed a bit of promise and jumped well, but tired after the last. Whether he didn't get the trip or needs to get a bit stronger

isn't clear yet."

There were worries about Crank Hill after he was pulled up four fences from home in the Children's Day Handicap Chase at Wincanton on Sunday.

The eight-year-old has been fairly consistent with a win and seven placings in his 21 races to date, but he didn't run well at Exeter last time out over 3 ¾ miles when Buckler had no answer for his poor run.

Scott said: We're mystified by it. He's been working well at home and there are no obvious signs why, so we will be getting the vet to have a look at him to check him over."

The weather hasn't improved this week either, and only two of the listed six look to have any

chance of running at Exeter today (Wednesday) and Wincanton (tomorrow).

Howlin At The Moon and River Indus are almost certain to miss Exeter today with Ready Or Not the only possibility.

Similarly Ballygulleen and Culahill will probably find the ground too soft tomorrow at Wincanton, with Over The Flow the only possibility.

The Irish Grand National next Monday (5th) and the Whitbread Chase at Sandown in late April are possible targets for Double Dizzy after his encouraging run at the Cheltenham Festival.

In the meantime Niche Market is well and raring to go in the Aintree Grand National on Saturday week.

## DORSET TO TAKE ON TOP STARS

DORSET County Cricket Club is delighted to announce two prestigious mouth watering friendly T20 matches against the cream of the world's cricketers.

They will entertain First Class County sides Somerset and Hampshire whose squads include such superstars as Kevin Pietersen and Marcus Trescothick.

The friendlies are being used by the two counties as warm up games ahead of their respective T20 campaigns, and are expected to draw large crowds to the games which are being played during the Whitsun school half term break.

They will play Somerset at Sherborne School (start time 2.30pm) on Sunday May 30th and Hampshire at Dean Park (start time 5pm) on Tuesday June 1st.

Dorset CCC Team Manager Sean Walbridge said: "A lot of hard work has gone into negotiating these two fixtures and we are very grateful to Brian Rose (Somerset) and Tim Tremlett (Hampshire) for their co-operation in arranging the games.

"The matches are being played during half term so we are hoping for big crowds. It will also give the young cricket supporters in the county a chance to come and see some world class cricketing talent on display.

"Both counties have told us they will be bringing strong sides so the matches are going to be very entertaining. If you think about the talent on display, this is going to be a real treat for local cricket fans and especially our sponsors The Hearn Group."

Somerset's side reached finals days of the T20 competition last season and their line-up will contain the likes of Marcus Trescothick (captain), England player Craig Keswetter and Peter Trego (England Lions).

South Africans Zander De Bruyn, Alfonso Thomas and Charl Wolloughby are also in the squad, and the exciting Dorset leg spinner Max Waller, back from the England winter performance training camps in South Africa where he was playing for Somerset.

Their overseas players for the T20 season will be Murali Kartik (India), Cameron White (Australia) and Keiron Pollard (West Indies).

Hampshire have never reached finals day but with their impressive squad they will certainly be looking to do so this season. Their side will contain the likes of captain Dimi Mascaranhas and England players Dominic Cork, Kevin Pietersen, Michael Carberry, Simon Jones and Kabir Ali.

Michael Lumb (England Lions) Nic Pothas, Sean

Ervine (Zimbabwe) and Sherborne schoolboy James Adams are also in the T20 squad.

Their overseas players for the 2010 season are Ajantha Mendis (Sri Lanka) the exciting leg spinner, Abdul Razzaq (Pakistan) and Shahid Afridi (Pakistan).

Ticket pricing for the matches is Adult £10, Children under 16 and OAP's £5 or a family ticket (two adults and two children) £20.

However, Dorset CCC members will be allowed entry to these games free on production of their membership cards.

"We are hoping that this will encourage people to become members of Dorset CCC," added Mr Walbridge.

Anyone requiring information about becoming a member can do so by contacting Peter Moxam on 01929 462632

◆ Another treat for cricket supporters is the news that Dean Park will play host to the Pro 40 match between The Unicorns and Glamorgan CC. This season an ECB representative XI named The Unicorns (emblem of the Minor Counties Cricket Association) has joined the competition, and they will play one of their home group matches at Dean Park on Sunday May 16th start time 11am.



◆ KEVIN Pietersen - heading for Dorset

## Boxing club seeks trainers

BRIDPORT Boxing Club is in desperate need of trainers to help at the gym.

Head coach Alan Slaney appealed for help because of the number of new men and women who have joined the club recently.

"We have had an influx of new members, both men and women, and we don't have enough coaches and trainers now to give them the attention

they deserve, so we are asking for people who are interested to come and help out and take the strain off us a little bit. It's great that we have so many boxers but we do want to give them the best chance we can."

You don't have to be a boxer or a trainer or instructor either. "You must be sporty, enthusiastic and committed," said Slaney.

"The coaches at the club will give you guidance and indeed if

you are interested we will support you in getting your coaching badge.

We welcome both men and women to come along, maybe there is a lady that would be interested in helping with our girl boxers for instance."

Anyone interested can ring Alan on 10308 425108 or go along to the gym at The Youth Centre in Gundry Lane on a Tuesday or Thursday night at 7pm.

## BEAMINSTER FINISH WITH A FLOURISH

**BEAMINSTER 3 SALISBURY 2nd 1**

BEAMINSTER finished the season on a high with a good 3-1 victory that lifted them above Salisbury into fourth position in Channel Division One.

Despite going behind early on they fought back to lead by half-time and after Salisbury had seized back the initiative after the break, broke away to score and hold on for a convincing win. With Jenny Clarke not fit enough to take her usual place in the heart of the defence, she took over in goal giving regular keeper Rachel Andrews a rare opportunity to play outfield and she crowned her performance with the last goal.

Despite a bright start Beaminster fell behind on five minutes when Salisbury's Karen Hitchings scored following a right wing cross when the home side failed to clear their lines. This spurred the visitors for a while but Megan Tuck, once again a threat with her powerful running, went close.

Beaminster equalised on 19 minutes when Jackie Gape scored with a superb shot following a short corner. Initially the goal was disallowed, but after consultations between the umpires, was given, much to the annoyance of Salisbury who claimed the ball was above backboard height when it crossed the line. The decision rattled the visitors and Beaminster controlled the match and scored again eight minutes later when Tuck, receiving the ball on the halfway line outran the defence, and although the keeper did well to partially block her shot, Tuck followed through to touch the ball over the line.

The start of the second half saw Salisbury take control and they pounded the Beaminster goal. However despite winning several short corners they failed to capitalise although it looked like they would equalise at any time

as Beaminster seemed almost incapable of breaking out of their own half, and when they did the ball came straight back as they struggled to get any cohesion between defence and attack. Andrews appeared to have missed the opportunity to seal victory when she shot wide when in a good position twelve minutes from time. However a minute later she did find the net with another chance, driving her shot low to the keeper's right into the corner. This lifted Beaminster and they once again became positive and began pressuring Salisbury in order to prevent them dictating play, a play that worked and in the end gave them a deserved victory and a pleasing end to the campaign.



◆ GREAT GOAL: Megan Tuck in action against Salisbury. She gave Beaminster the lead with a superbly taken goal.

## Racketball open night

THE UK's fastest growing racket sport is taking off in Bridport. An open evening at the Leisure Centre on Tuesday April 13th will showcase the sport of racketball.

Entry to the event is free and all ages and abilities are encouraged to attend and have a go or just watch the demonstrations.

Event organiser, Clive Whaley, from the Bridport Squash and Racketball Club said: "Racketball is becoming very popular for three reasons; it's easy to play, it's good for fitness and it's great fun. It's played on a squash court and it has a bigger and more bouncy ball than squash and uses a larger racket head – both these factors make it easier and less explosive than squash."

The evening starts at 7pm with a rules explanation, followed by the chance for anyone to have a go under the guidance of experienced coaches. The event will be rounded off by a spectacular exhibition game between Matt Baker and Gavin Perrett, two of the UK's best players.

Visitors on the night will be entitled to vouchers for free racket hire and half price play, as well as the chance to sign up for future beginner's courses.

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◆ **SHORT-MAT BOWLS:**

East Devon League (afternoon League Division Two)

Table	P	W	D	L	+/-	Pts
Awilscombe B.....	11	6	3	2	242	15
Woodbury.....	13	7	1	5	-74	15
Colyton.....	12	6	1	5	205	13
LYME REGIS.....	12	6	1	5	58	13
Combe St Nicholas.....	12	5	2	5	-86	12
Musbury.....	11	3	5	3	-40	11
Sidford.....	13	4	3	6	-107	11
Seaton Cliff C.....	12	2	2	8	-198	6

◆ **CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT:** Dorchester Town Supporters Trust are holding their first quiz night in the Prince's Marquee at the Avenue Stadium, Dorchester on Friday April 9th.

The evening commences at 7.30pm for an 8pm start. The funds raised from the event will be shared between the Supporters Trust and Weldmare Hospicecare Trust in memory of Julian Slade. The event is kindly sponsored by Dorchester Timber Limited.

Tickets cost £5 per person which includes food and a first prize of £50. There will also be a raffle, and waitress service with drinks served at your table.

Tickets are selling quickly so to avoid disappointment telephone 01305 850099 (include code when dialling) or visit [www.magiquest.co.uk](http://www.magiquest.co.uk) for more details.



# SANDERCOMBE SUPER SHOW EARNS POINT

## ■ Bridport victory marred by Symes injury ■

**WEYMOUTH 0 THURROCK 0**  
**Blue Square South - Attendance: 364**

TIM Sandercombe was the hero as a young Weymouth side defied a Thurrock side still in with a chance of a play-off spot.

Sandercombe showed his potential with a string of superb saves despite a suspected broken thumb, and earned praise from visiting manager Hakan Hayrettin who also put all his squad up for sale after the match. "Give Weymouth their due they fought very hard and their goalkeeper (Sandercombe) was outstanding."

Hakan however was very disappointed with his side's form and attitude, and after a poor run of form where the Essex side had only taken five points from a possible eighteen, he was not pleased with missing a host of chances against bottom side Weymouth.

"I think we missed twelve good chances today. I have told the lads that they are useless, and as of today they are all up for sale!"

Weymouth caretaker manager Andy Harris was however delighted with the young Terras battling performance with Sandercombe the star as they arrested a run of six straight defeats.

Sandercombe denied Kenny Clark early on when he tipped his header over before having help from Cameron Mawer and Ollie tribe to block Leon McKenzie's effort on the line after he had rounded the young keeper.

He then foiled Fola Orilonishe with a point-blank stop, Matt Bodkin and Reiss Gilbey all before halftime.

Weymouth's only first half effort came from Robin Nicholls but keeper Joe Woolley had little difficulty collecting it.

They did improve after the break with John Lamb shooting wide, but Thurrock continued to dominate.

Matt Bodkin had two chances for the visitors before Sandercombe produced a brilliant save to deny Jamie Fry before then tipping Gilbey's effort around the post.

The Terras could have snatched it in the last seconds of added time when Leon Lalite blocked former Bee Shane Evans' shot on the line following Stephen Reed's corner.

The point went someway to erasing their 7-1 defeat at Welling in the week (see below).

## Weymouth walloped at Welling

**WELLING UNITED 7 WEYMOUTH 1**  
**Blue Square South - Att 427**

WEYMOUTH'S young and inexperienced line-up had a night to forget as they went down to a 7-1 defeat at play-off candidates Welling United at Park View Road on Tuesday evening.

The Terras came close to opening the scoring early on when Carl Foster crashed an effort against Wings' keeper Charlie Mitten's crossbar.

But Jake Hobbs opened the scoring for the hosts in the 18th minute and when Lee Clarke added a second on the half-hour the result was never really in doubt. Sam Hurrell notched number three before the interval.

There was a brief respite for the dozen or so band of Weymouth travelling supporters when Steven Reed weaved past a couple of defenders before netting his

second goal in three days.

But Clarke slotted home a penalty soon after and the late trio of goals in the last five minutes just added salt to the Terras' wounds as they slipped to their heaviest defeat since the 8-0 home drubbing by Rushden & Diamonds just over a year ago.

**BRIDPORT 2 PORTISHEAD TOWN 1**  
**Toolstation Division One - Attendance: 112**

SAM Charles came off the bench to score the winner in an incident packed match marred by an injury to Jamie Symes that resulted in the midfielder being taken to hospital with a suspected spinal injury by air ambulance.

The match was beginning to boil over when Symes and Portishead's striker Kieran Marsden challenged for the ball on the edge of the Bees penalty area on 68 minutes. It appeared that Marsden caught Symes in the small of the back with his knee as they both jumped for the ball, leaving the Bridport player prone on the ground.

Bridport's physio Nicky Legg took immediate control when she went on the pitch to attend to Symes, and called an ambulance as a precaution. After assessment by a paramedic, the HM Coastguard helicopter took Symes to Dorchester hospital where he was diagnosed with heavy bruising and allowed home.

The match poised at 1-1 was delayed for an hour, and when play resumed, saw Charles score a scintillating winner before being sent off with Portishead's Nick Sloane following a melee involving a number of players from both sides. The visitors were then reduced to nine players in added time when James Heaks was dismissed for a second yellow card.

There has been an edge in the games between the two sides over the past few seasons and this one was no different.

Portishead captain Cleve Holder spent little time in fuelling this encounter with two heavy challenges in the opening minutes, although it was Bridport that had the best of the early chances with Ashley Clarke forcing The Possets keeper Nial Brown to save low down at his left hand post, before Jamie Symes should have done better with a free header from Dan Wise's cross. Brown was then forced to palm Dan Jones' cross away from the inrushing Chris Senior.

Slowly Portishead forced their way into the game but it was 21 minutes before they had a shot on goal when Jamie Fry easily held Sam Enings' long range effort. Enings then caused panic in the Bees box with a Roy Delap type long throw that was headed on forcing Matt Condliffe to clear off the goal line.

Thy took the lead on 29 minutes rather against the run of play when Danny Benn ran on to a long ball out of defence and outpaced the chasing Ryan Hayter before deftly chipping Fry as he raced out to meet him.

Undeterred Bridport continued to take the game to their opponents and Condliffe did well to win the ball on the left before cutting inside and hitting a shot just wide of the left hand angle of the goal frame. Then Roger Cummings set up Senior by laying the ball into his path but the tall striker drove past the right hand post.

Benn, Portishead's best player, then forced Fry to tip his 35 yard effort over the bar.

Bridport almost equalised just before the break when Sloane and Brown got in a tangle trying to clear a cross. Condliffe's effort from an acute angle was blocked and when the ball ran to Senior he swivelled before crashing his shot against the top of the crossbar and over.

Bridport equalised within a minute of the restart when



◆ **FOUL:** Darren Watts is brought to the ground by a combination of Dave Pettit (7) and Cleve Holder (8).  
*Photo by STUART BROOM*

Senior began and finished the move. Picking the ball up on the halfway line he fed Cummings who in turn switched the ball to Wise. He played Jamie Symes in down the left and his driven cross was met by Senior who had made ground to head the ball into the corner of the net.

Soon after Heaks picked up a yellow card for a culmination of fouls, when he brought down Condliffe.

Portishead might have taken the lead when Fry rushed out of his penalty area but was beaten to the ball by Benn who rounded him but then put his attempt wide.

Holder was eventually booked for a succession of niggly fouls before Charles and Adam Symes replaced Cummings and Dan Jones.

Soon after Jamie Symes was injured, and the match delayed whilst he was treated.

On its resumption Charles had two great chances to score before finally firing the winner.

He first miss kicked from 10 yards following a great run and cross from Adam Symes, before less than a minute later failing to get enough power in his shot after chesting down Wise's cross.

Two minutes later he made it third time lucky with a beauty that won Bridport the match. Wise found him again with another raking cross, which Charles controlled before nonchalantly lashing home a 20-yard drive that dipped wickedly over Brown who never moved off the spot.

Heaks might have equalised almost immediately but his attempted lob following a goalmouth scramble cleared the bar.

The game exploded into an ugly finish on 82 minutes when Brown attempted to bring down Charles on the right hand corner of the penalty area when he lunged at him as he skipped past him. Charles reacted by barging into the back of the keeper which sparked a free for all started by Possets Ben Davis who weighed in with a rugby tackle.

When order was restored, referee Salter booked Brown before dismissing both Charles, allegedly for punching the keeper on the ground, and Sloane.

The game ended in further chaos as Heaks was finally dismissed in added time for a foul too many bringing him a second yellow card.

Physio Nicky Legg was praised for her actions in her treatment of Adam Symes.

Thankfully Symes was allowed home on Saturday evening with no more than heavy bruising to his lower back.

Bridport Football Club secretary Heather Scaddings said that the emergency services had praised Nicky for her actions in treating Symes before the paramedics arrived, and in calling for emergency help. They said that although his injuries were thankfully relatively minor her decisions were exemplary.

Heather also praised Portishead player Oliver Hatfield, who is believed to be a fireman, for helping Nicky to stabilise Symes whilst awaiting the arrival of the emergency services.

## Bees fall to last gasp winner

**CADBURY HEATH 2 BRIDPORT 1**  
**Toolstation Division One - Attendance: 87**

BRIDPORT were denied a battling point when they conceded a last minute goal against an in-form Cadbury Heath on Tuesday.

After a goalless first half, Darren Watts had pulled the Bees level after the hosts had taken the lead and it looked like they would come away with a point to boost their bid for a top ten finish.

However they conceded a late winner in the final seconds of stoppage time following a free kick on the right when a header from Simon Brown hit the post and rolled along the line where it was bundled home with keeper Jamie Fry just unable to get a hand on it.

Manager Trevor Senior said: "It was disappointing to lose so late in the game, but if I am honest Cadbury just shaded the game on chances. However it was another good display by us against a side who are in form."

In the first half Cadbury Heath hit the post and Fry was forced into an excellent double save, whilst Dan Wise was just off target with a free kick.

The hosts went ahead just after the hour when Fry, who was maybe unsighted couldn't hold on to the Chris Astley's shot and Toby Colbourne was on hand to promptly poke into the net.

However Bridport soon responded when Ashley Clarke found Watts with a diagonal ball and he cut inside before equalised with a crisp shot.

"Going down the hill in the second half they were quite a threat particularly down the flanks, but I thought Jamie Maidment and Dan Jones did very well against two tricky wingers."

## Championship must wait

**GILLINGHAM U10 4 BRIDPORT 2**

BRIDPORT'S hopes of sealing the league were put on hold when they failed to beat a Gillingham side that wanted victory more.

Whether it was the long trip or reaction to the clock's changing, but Bridport did not look their usual selves even though they took the lead through Riley Weedon.

However it was only a matter of time before Gillingham scored and if it had not been for a string of brilliant saves from Jordon Scadding, the visitors would have been out of the match by half time.

If Bridport thought there would be a let up after the break they were in for a shock as Gillingham with more passion and commitment took a 4-1 lead. Although Jake Rowland pulled one back they did not produce the form of potential champions, and go into the last game of the season knowing they need a point from a very good, strong Sturminster team to take the title.



◆ **CRUCIAL STRIKE:** Lyme Regis skipper Adam Caddy (amber) pounces on a loose ball to lash home his side's 82nd minute winner in the Perry Street League Premier Division clash with Combe Reserves, before taking the acclaim from team mates (inset).

*Photos HOWARD LARCOMBE*



## NEWS FROM WEYMOUTH RUGBY CLUB

# SHERBORNE TOO STRONG IN SEMI-FINAL

### WEYMOUTH 2nd 3 SHERBORNE 2nd 38

DESPITE a good first half display Weymouth could not contain Sherborne who ran out worthy winners of the Dorset & Wilts 2nd XV Shield Final played at Puddletown on Sunday.

From the kick off Weymouth attacked the Sherborne line led by hooker Craig North and veteran No8 Richard Barclay. They continued to go through the phases and were unlucky to only be rewarded with a penalty for their efforts converted by fly half Adam Darcy. Sherborne finally started to find their feet and continually attacked the Weymouth line, and a series of handling mistakes let them down. This wasn't going to last forever and they crossed the white wash just before half time for a converted try.

Sherborne made changes at the break and this gave them the edge and went on to record a comfortable 38-3 win despite some fantastic scrummaging and good defensive work from the whole of the Weymouth team, with flankers Matty Driver and Robert Rendell winning the man of the match awards.

Captain Nathan Allan said: "Well done to all of the team. I couldn't fault their work rate and commitment and congratulations to Sherborne."



♦**TOO STRONG:** Action for the 2nd XV Shield Final where despite possession here Weymouth (light blue) lost out to Sherborne.  
Photo by CHRIS DAVIS

### Weymouth U11 5 Sherborne 15

DESPITE a good performance Weymouth where undone by some poor defending decisions. Morgan Wyatt and Tyler Craig tackled their hearts out and there was good attacking play from James Davis but they could only score once, a try from Troy Brocklebank.

### Weymouth U12 5 Sherborne 35

SHERBORNE started the strongest and scored all of their points in the first half. Weymouth's defence improved as the game progressed with great tackling from Henry Arnold, George Harvey and Robert Macdonald. Nathaniel Baynham Jones whose all round game won him the Man of the Match award was rewarded for his work rate with a try.

Welcome and 'well played' to new player Jonathan Young.

### Weymouth U13 43 Swanage and Wareham 26

IN a game in which Weymouth were short of a number

of key players, powerful running from Scott Mitchell, Anthony House and Joe Reed saw the Seasiders despatch a free running Swanage side who clawed themselves back into the match at the death.

Weymouth took command with three early tries and extended their lead into the second-half. Mitchell and House with three apiece were the major beneficiaries, with Connor Aitkin at scrum-half also forcing his way over.

Good kicking from Reed and Josh Leatham with two conversions apiece, made the win comfortable in the end although the pace of the Swanage backs gave some cause for concern.

Weymouth's aggressive counter rucking and fierce tackling were the cornerstones of the win with James Yuille and Rhodri Tanner both putting in some spectacular hits on Swanage players.

Weymouth and now building form and their rate of progress augurs well for a more successful campaign next season.

Salisbury 28 Weymouth U14/15 5

THIS was a well contested game played in a great spirit by both sides. Salisbury started strongly but Weymouth defended superbly with the backline making some great tackles and centre Ryan Price putting in some huge relieving kicks.

The first score came following good pressure from flanker Tom Glynn, forcing a wayward kick from the opposition which Price collected and sprinted 50 metres to score in the corner. Salisbury responded with a good try of their own which they converted to go into the break 7-5 up.

The second-half saw Salisbury use the slope well to gain field position and despite a battling performance from Weymouth, were able to score three more converted tries. However this was an encouraging performance with some excellent rugby played. Man of the match: Ben Waller

## BRIDPORT TABLE SKITTLES

Division A	P	W	Pts	Beer
Jesters .....	19	15	73	16
Eye of the Tiger .....	17	14	59	11
Second hand Clock .....	17	12	57	13
Chillieheads .....	19	10	55	9
Sally Mustangs .....	19	9	47	6
Oak A Nuts .....	19	9	43	7
No Hoppers .....	19	8	43	11
Crown A .....	18	9	41	3
Whats teh Odds .....	17	7	38	13
Simpsons .....	18	8	36	6
Cross Shots .....	19	7	31	8
Classics .....	19	3	29	8

Division B	P	W	Pts	Beer
Kens Prix .....	19	15	64	10
Five of Clubs .....	19	11	54	9
Consorts .....	19	9	50	12
Freds Heros .....	18	9	49	10
Baggies Boys .....	19	12	49	12
Mucking Fuddlers .....	18	11	48	6
Fishermans Friends .....	18	8	45	9
Slingers .....	19	9	45	9
Five Alive .....	18	9	43	10
George Gormets .....	19	7	41	9
Upstairs Downstairs .....	19	7	40	10
Crown Spares .....	19	5	32	6

Division C	P	W	Pts	Beer
Tanners A .....	18	16	68	15
Bellends .....	19	15	67	10
Who gives a tuck .....	19	16	65	11
West Dorset Clubbers .....	18	13	55	13
Time Wasters .....	16	11	48	13
Stickups .....	18	8	45	8
The B Bs .....	17	7	39	8
Exiles .....	17	6	34	5
Catch of the Day .....	18	3	33	9
Crown Handbags .....	18	4	32	6
About Time .....	19	5	29	7
Kings of Hazard .....	19	3	24	3



♦**ON THE ATTACK:** Action from Weymouth U11s (light blue) against Sherborne.  
Photo by CHRIS DAVIS

## RUGBY ROUND-UP

with KEITH JENKIN

# GAINES HAT-TRICK SEALS VASE WIN

## But no joy for Weymouth in heavy loss at high-flying Wimborne

SATURDAY last was another "hit or miss" weekend as far as local rugby was concerned, with the Bridport, Crewkerne and Honiton first sides being without fixtures.

The Dorchester and Weymouth second teams too, were left kicking their heels, while the Bridport second side's friendly against their Honiton counterparts did not take place, owing to Honiton having to play a catch up Merit table game.

There were some interesting encounters taking place however, and I took myself off to Chard to take in their vital encounter against league leaders Bristol Harlequins.

### MELKSHAM 25pts DORCHESTER 28pts

DORCHESTER would have gone into this Dorset & Wilts Vase game, against a side from the Northern section of the Dorset & Wilts League Division One, with confidence.

They faced the breeze in the first-half and took an early lead with an Adam Jones penalty but before long the home side, having kicked their way into an attacking position, broke down the left, offloaded smartly and got over for a try that they converted.

A couple of tries by winger Caines, one out wide and the other, scored under the posts and converted by Jones, then took Dorchester clear at 15-7 ahead, but Melksham had certainly not turned out just to make up the numbers.

Dorchester were perhaps guilty of thinking that the game was won and gave the home midfield rather too much space and it showed its appreciation by scoring two tries, one of which was converted. It kicked a penalty goal too just before the break to take the score to 22-15 in the home side's favour.

Now with the wind at their backs, Dorchester started the second-half brightly. A second Jones penalty reduced the deficit, and Gaines' hat-trick try, again converted by Jones gave them a three point lead.

They really should have gone on from there but did not do so, and their opponents, who were far from done, kicked a penalty goal deep into the final quarter

to tie the scores at 25 points each.

This made things rather too close for comfort, but Dorchester regained the initiative and attacked.

They won a penalty and Adam Jones stepped up to bisect the uprights and to give his side the lead.

Melksham had no time to mount a rally and it is Dorchester's name that goes into the hat for the semi final draw. Too close for comfort though.

### WIMBORNE 55pts, WEYMOUTH NIL

TO win this Dorset & Wilts Vase encounter against a side vying for promotion from the Southern Counties (South) Division was always going to be a big "ask" for Weymouth.

In fact they competed well to trail 0-19 at the halfway stage before running out of steam in the final quarter when their opponents scored three tries to stretch away.

In fact it turned into a pretty good day all round for Wimborne for, after the whistle for no side had sounded, they learned that rivals for a promotion place, Frome, had been unexpectedly bested

by Tadley, and they now lead the division with a couple of games left.

### PREVIEW

CALLING ALL SQUADDIES, MATELOTS, AND ERKS. On Easter Sunday, April 4th, commencing at 2pm, a charity rugby game will take place, hosted by the Honiton RFC at Allhallows when Armed Forces Past and Present will oppose a Honiton Select XV, with all proceeds going to the HELP FOR HEROES fund. Any serving or past member of the military is invited to turn up and participate. All that is required of you is that you bring a pair of boots, socks and shorts.

As an added inducement, a beer festival will run alongside the game, with some 15 different beers and five types of cider available.

As a former conscript myself I well remember that most of my colleagues would have strolled over hot coals for a pint of beer and I am sure therefore, that those involved since will rally to the call and count any bruises received as being received in the best of good causes. I give you the best of Sunday April 4th!

Note:- Prospective players should contact Richard Terry. Telephone 07730499564.

Rugby at Easter is really a shadow of its former self. At one time fixture lists would be littered with touring sides at this time of year; now however Easter Saturday is devoted to the catching up of postponed league games.

Seemingly all three local clubs are up to date with their respective league programmes and therefore very little rugby will take place on what was once the busiest weekend of the year.

**FIXTURES:** 3rd April - Bridport v no game; Bridport 2nd v no game; Chard v no game; Chard 2nd v Somerton (home); Chard 3rd v Wiveliscombe 2nd (home); Chard Colts v Sidmouth (home); Crewkerne v Bridgwater & Albion 3rd (home); Dorchester v no game; Dorchester 2nd v no game; Honiton v South Molton (home); Honiton 2nd v Withycombe 2nd (home); Honiton Colts v Wadebridge (away); Sidmouth v no game; Sidmouth Colts v Chard (away); Weymouth v no game; Weymouth 2nd v no game.



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## INSIDE: Comprehensive local sports news round-up

### MAGPIES ON THE UP?

BY STUART BROOM

THE combination of a new chairman and manager has turned Dorchester Town's fortunes around and they can finally look forward to a period of stabilisation and hopefully success.

It was grim reading at the end of last year following the defeat to Weymouth in the FA Trophy which cost Roy O'Brien his job, and then only picking up one point in the two league games over the holiday period against their neighbours from over the Ridgeway.

In fact it looked like Weymouth were beginning to pick up with Ian Hutchinson and Andy Mason in charge, whilst Dorchester continued to plummet towards the basement.

However the appointment of local businessman Shaun Hearn as chairman to succeed Eddie Mitchell in September brought an immediate wave of optimism to the club, and his standing was enhanced by the appointment of Ashley Vickers as manager on a permanent basis.

There now seems an air of confidence among the fans and around the town that the Magpies are finally on the up.

On the field Vickers has assembled a team that on paper looks like they should be

challenging for promotion, whilst instilling an attitude in the team that says they will be challenging for promotion next season if he has his way.

There is no doubt that there is a steel to the team that has not been present for some while, and whilst Vickers will still need to strengthen with the addition of two or three more signings, judging by the sides that have visited the Avenue this season, none, not even runaway champions Newport County, have really looked a cut above the Magpies.

Vickers has balanced his side with a combination of youth and experience.

He has brought in good, young talent in Kyle Critchell, Nathan Walker and James Coutts to blend with the guile and experience of Kevin Hill, Mark Jermyn and Nick Crittenden. They now sit thirteen points above the relegation zone and are looking up rather than down the table.

It looks like exciting times ahead for the Magpies!

◆ Today (Wednesday) sees the start of this year's Online Player of the Year poll where Magpie's fans can reflect on this season's



■ MEMBERS of Weymouth Rugby club's 2nd XV pictured before last weekend's Dorset & Wilts 2nd XV Shield semi-final. The Seaside's put in a good first-half display but couldn't hold a powerful Sherborne side who went on to secure a place in the Final after a 38-3 victory.  
Photo by CHRIS DAVIS

campaign and vote for the player who has most impressed them.

Last year skipper Kevin Hill won the title with some stirring displays, but has been sidelined for most of this season with a foot injury, so maybe someone else will grab the title. There are several candidates, none more so than Mark Jermyn who has made the most appearances this season and remains the only person to have ever

won the title on more than one occasion.

Could he make it a third victory, or perhaps you'll opt for top scorer Matt Groves who himself will be looking to win the trophy for a second time?

My vote I think goes to Regan Coward who has been outstanding this season. The young keeper had an unhappy start to the campaign with a lot of indecision as to who would don the jersey.

With Gareth Stewart finally deciding not to renew his contract, the club signed Ryan Northover as a replacement, and it looked like Coward would once again keep the bench warm.

However Coward got his chance when Northover left the club and has been a revelation since.



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